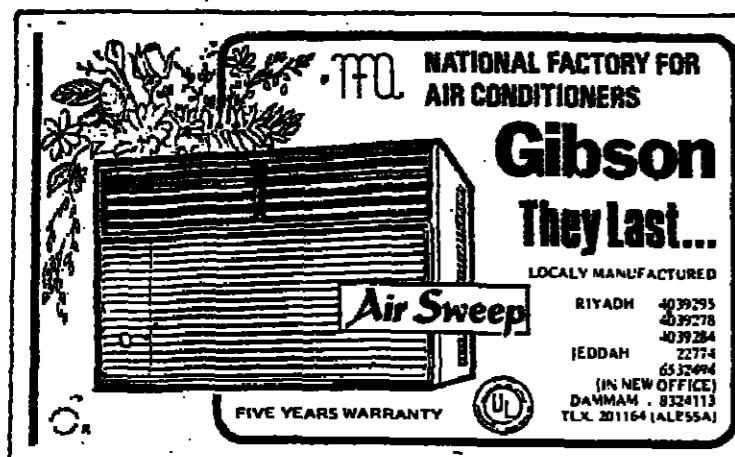


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Russia alarmed

Weinberger 'favors' neutron warheads

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4 (Agencies) — U.S. Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger has indicated he is leaning toward deployment of the controversial neutron warhead shelved by the Carter administration.

Such a move, if made, probably would reinforce a dispute that caused then President Jimmy Carter in 1978 to defer production and reverse an intention to deploy "enhanced radiation" warheads on Lance battlefield missiles and eight-inch guns in Europe.

"I think that the opportunity that this weapon gives to strengthen tactical nuclear force is one that we very probably would want to make use of," Weinberger said Tuesday at his first Pentagon news conference since becoming the civilian chief of the armed forces two weeks ago. On other matters, Weinberger said:

"We certainly would consider a request

Gold above \$500 mark; dollar sinks

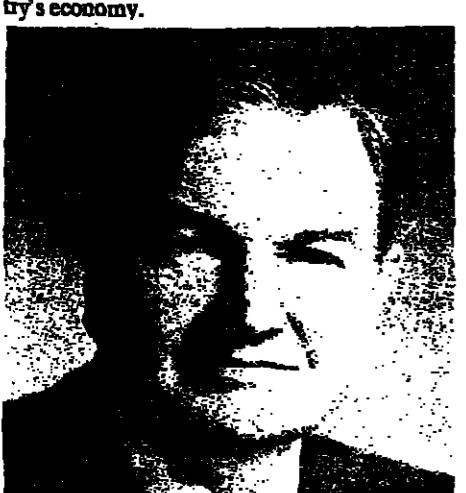
LONDON, Feb. 4 (R) — Gold rebounded to more than \$500 an ounce Wednesday while the dollar lost ground against the mark following what dealers called a massive central bank intervention Tuesday to support the West German currency. Gold's rise was partly due to the dollar's strength. It claimed to \$504.25 an ounce at the London morning price-setting session by bullion houses. It later rose to \$508.

Bullion dealers said the increase, which lifted gold \$14.25 higher than its close here Tuesday night, was due to a buying rally in extremely active trading. The dollar, supported this week by market enthusiasm for President Reagan's economic policies, opened in London slightly higher than its close of 2.1240 marks Tuesday in New York where it weakened because of the official support for the mark.

But it slid through the morning to around 2.1222 marks, compared to a high of around 2.15 marks Tuesday and a London finish of 2.1332 marks.

In Frankfurt, dealers said the West German and U.S. central banks, the Bundesbank and the Federal Reserve, sold \$500 million each the past 24 hours to defend the mark. They added that the Bundesbank sold \$11.55 million Wednesday when the U.S. currency was fixed at 2.1318 marks after 2.1500 marks Tuesday.

A West German finance ministry spokesman denied market rumors of an imminent support package for the mark, which is under pressure because of concern about the country's economy.



Rockefeller, Butcher in Jeddah

By a Staff Writer

JEDDAH, Feb. 4 — David Rockefeller, chairman of Chase Manhattan Bank, New York, arrived here Wednesday from Riyadh, while on a short visit to Saudi Arabia. Rockefeller is visiting the Kingdom to introduce the bank's current president Willard C. Butcher, to business associates. He leaves the Kingdom Thursday.

Rockefeller will be handing over the chairman's position to Butcher at the annual general meeting of the corporation in New York on April 21. The Chase Manhattan Bank is the largest correspondent bank in the world, with relationship with most of the banks in Saudi Arabia. The bank processes in New York an average of 17.8 million international money transfers, valued at \$53.3 bil-

lion every day.

Saudi Arabia is the first country on Rockefeller's current trip and he will be visiting Egypt, Abu Dhabi, Qatar, Bahrain, Kuwait and Jordan. Rockefeller has been a frequent visitor to Saudi Arabia, where he meets leaders of organizations in the public and private sectors of industry, commerce and bank, with which the bank has business relationships.

Rockefeller has had great importance on the bank's activities in the Middle East and over the last few years the Chase consistently enlarged its operations in the area so that it is now one of the major international banks. Chase has a 20 per cent investment in the Saudi Investment Banking Corporation in Riyadh and provides staff and training on a technical services agreement.

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Religious leaders boost drive against Bani-Sadr

TEHRAN, Feb. 4 (R) — Religious leaders Wednesday stepped up their campaign against President Abolhassan Bani-Sadr accusing him of being out of touch with Iranian society and the Islamic revolution. The attack was made through a newspaper editorial which also declared: "Bani-Sadr is creating the background for his resignation and in this connection is gathering all reasonable and unreasonable excuses."

The paper, *Azadegan*, (free men), which strongly supports the hardline Muslim Islamic Republican Party (IRP), said it was

not accusing the president of bad intentions. "But it is quite clear that he is not in agreement with the goals of the Islamic revolution, and the path along which he is moving does not benefit the revolution, the people and even himself," Azadegan said.

Officials in the president's office denied that Bani-Sadr intended to resign but they had no other comment on the article. Bani-Sadr was elected just over a year ago by an overwhelming vote. But government, judiciary, media and parliament in Iran are now dominated by the IRP.

Iraqi minister says

Soviets halt arms deals

BAGHDAD, Feb. 4 (R) — First Deputy Premier Taha Yassin Ramadan hinted Wednesday that the Soviet Union may halt arms supplies to Iraq.

He told a press conference: "The Soviet Union has stopped implementing pre-war contracts signed with Iraq." Asked if arms supplies from Moscow were still reaching Iraq, he replied: "No comment." He said France had started delivering Mirage fighter-bombers which had been ordered in 1977.

Tuesday, the Iraqi News Agency (INA) said, without naming the Soviet Union specifically, that Iraq would not forget "the bad attitude of those who do not honor their commitments."

Iraq has ordered 60 Mirage aircraft from France and Ramadan said there was no restriction on their use in the conflict. Ramadan, who is a senior member of Iraq's ruling Revolutionary Council as well as commander of the country's military forces, said internal squabbling in Iran was preventing Tehran from opening peace talks.

He blamed the Iranians for starting the war and added: "It is easy to declare a war, but it is difficult for them to declare peace."

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Graduates boost manpower base**Evening vocation course to begin**

By Javid Hasan

JEDDAH, Feb. 4. — The ninth evening course for 200 students at the Qatif vocational training center will start Saturday since 127 students have just completed a six-month training program in carpentry, electricity, car mechanics and welding.

This is expected to give a shot in the arm to the Kingdom's efforts for a strong manpower base envisaged in the Third Development Five-Year Plan (1980-85). There are 43 training programs in Saudi Arabia covering various fields.

BRIEFS

French-Saudi relations discussed

RIYADH, Feb. 4. — Bilateral relations and world affairs were the topics discussed by Prince Abdullah, second deputy premier and commander of the National Guard and the French Ambassador Michel Dumetz, who called on him Wednesday.

Accident kills five

NAJARAH, Feb. 4. — Five members of a Jordanian family were killed here when a car hit their own on the Sisilah bridge Tuesday. These killed included the parents, two children and an unborn child. A little son survived the accident when he was thrown clear of the site of the crash. The father worked as a teacher and the mother was a school headmistress here.

1.5 million books dispensed

TAIF, Feb. 4. — The Information Ministry gave away 1.5 million books to the delegations and newsmen who attended the third Islamic summit conference here last month. The books were in Arabic, English, French, Spanish, German and Urdu. Thirty five officials were in charge of the distribution network.

JEDDAH, Feb. 4. — A Mercedes was split in two, which lead to the death of the driver in an accident on Ring Road by the airport here Tuesday. The cab was severed from the passenger compartment as the car somersaulted several times after the impact.

Bureaucracy rule issued

JEDDAH, Feb. 4. — Mecca Governor

The training scheme is confined to Saudis in the 17-45 age group. The trainees, who must hold at least an elementary school certificate, are paid monthly allowance of between SR600 and SR800 after having successfully completed half the period. They are also eligible for a SR120 living allowance and an additional SR1,000 at the end of the course. This could be doubled if the student has passed in honors.

Trained graduates are entitled to a grant of SR3,000 six months after their employment. There is also a provision for a loan of

SR100,000 from the Credit Bank if a candidate wants to work on his own.

Creation of a trained manpower base has been the corner stone of the government's policy. In a statement accompanying the release of the budget for 1980-81, the first fiscal year of the third five-year development plan, the finance ministry stated: "The government gives priority to education and training for the development of human resources, which are the means for development and are at the same time the final goal of the development plan." A sum of \$6.8 million, 9.9 per cent of the total \$73.5 million Saudi budget for fiscal 1980-81, has been allocated for this purpose.

The government also has encouraged training abroad. Many Saudi Arabians attended short-term courses, seminars and workshops organized by foreign universities, professional and business associations and U.N. agencies. Many government agencies coordinate their training programs with the private sector, which is also given incentive to provide such training. Private establishments are required under the law to train workers and help them sharpen their skills.

The ministry of labor and social affairs, the sponsor of the scheme, has also introduced evening classes. As many as 6,048 students have already graduated, while 8,281 are under training.

The government has another training program for the handicapped in the Eastern Province. The Vocational Training Center for the Handicapped has disbursed SR6,080,000 to incapacitated persons. The center provides training for Saudi nationals with an intelligence level of at least 50 per cent. The trainees are provided with board and a monthly salary. Transportation is free for the students who do not live at the center.

Hostel seminar ends

DAMMAM, Feb. 4 (SPA) — A seminar for supervisors of student hostels organized by the Youth Welfare Organization ended here Wednesday at Dammam's Student Hostel. The 17 participants at the ten-day seminar from various regions of the Kingdom will submit their resolutions and recommendations to the organization.



ROYAL TOUR: Mecca Governor Prince Majed inspects Jeddah's desalination plant (SPA photo)

At 6th session

King to give mosque council speech

MECCA, Feb. 4 (SPA) — King Khalid will address the sixth session of the World Supreme Council of Mosques, which will be opened here Thursday by Deputy Governor of Mecca Prince Saud ibn Abdul Mohsen.

The King's speech will be read on his behalf by Prince Saud. In Saudi Arabia, the King is the custodian of the two Holy Harims (the Kaaba in Mecca and the Holy Prophet's mosque in Medina). King Khalid also was recently elected president of the 42-nation Organization of the Islamic Conference.

The meeting also will be addressed by Sheikh Abdul Aziz ibn Baz, the council's president, OIC Secretary General Habib Chatti, whose message will be read by a representative; and Sheikh Muhammad Ali Al-Harakan, secretary general of the Muslim World League where the conference is being held. Dr. Ahmad Ramzi, Morocco's minister of endowments and Islamic affairs, will address the council on behalf of all its members before the council's Secretary General Ali Mokhtar reads his annual report on the council's activities.

Prince Saud will give a luncheon at the Intercontinental Hotel Thursday in honor of delegates to the one-week conference.

Among the wide range of Islamic issues on the agenda are Jerusalem and Palestine; the struggle of the Muslim people of Afghanistan, the council's regional bureaus throughout the world; and the outcome of the Third Islamic Summit Conference which opened in Mecca, and concluded in Taif.

Mokhtar thanked Saudi Arabia Wednesday for the assistance permanently extended by King Khalid and Crown Prince Fahd to the council's fund which serves to build and renovate mosques in various parts of the world with a view to propagating the Islamic faith. The council group has 50 members from all over the world.

Medina to get fourth bus line

MEDINA, Feb. 4 (SPA) — The Saudi Arabian Public Transport Corporation (SAPTCO) will soon add a fourth line to the three already operated here as of the 11th of Rabi-ul-Awwal, SAPTCO's President Sheikh Hussein Mansouri, minister of communications, said that the new line will go to the Eastern part of the city's center.

Before the new line reaches the center, it will pass through Al-Munakha street, Al-Hezam Al-Akhdar (Green Belt) street, Al-Ayneyah street, and Airport Road. It will then go to the King Hospital, Abu Zerr mosque off airport road, Al-Jezirah school, Al-Salam clinic, SAPTCO's offices, Sonda offices, Al-Jassem Furniture, Al-Horra Al-Shargiyah, Sonda ibn Ibada school, the Chest Diseases Hospital, the Licenses Department, the modern Intermediate School, the Kindergarten, The Eye Hospital, the Crimatology Department, and finally Omar ibn Abdul Aziz Intermediate School.

On the return trip, the itinerary will be the same up to Al-Munakha street, following which the bus will run past Al-Ghoma mosque to Bab Al-Salam Square — its terminal.

The new line will operate from 5 a.m. to 11 p.m. at a frequency of one trip every ten minutes. The line will be inscribed on the bus in Arabic and English in red. SAPTCO applies of fixed tariff of SR1 on all lines in Medina.

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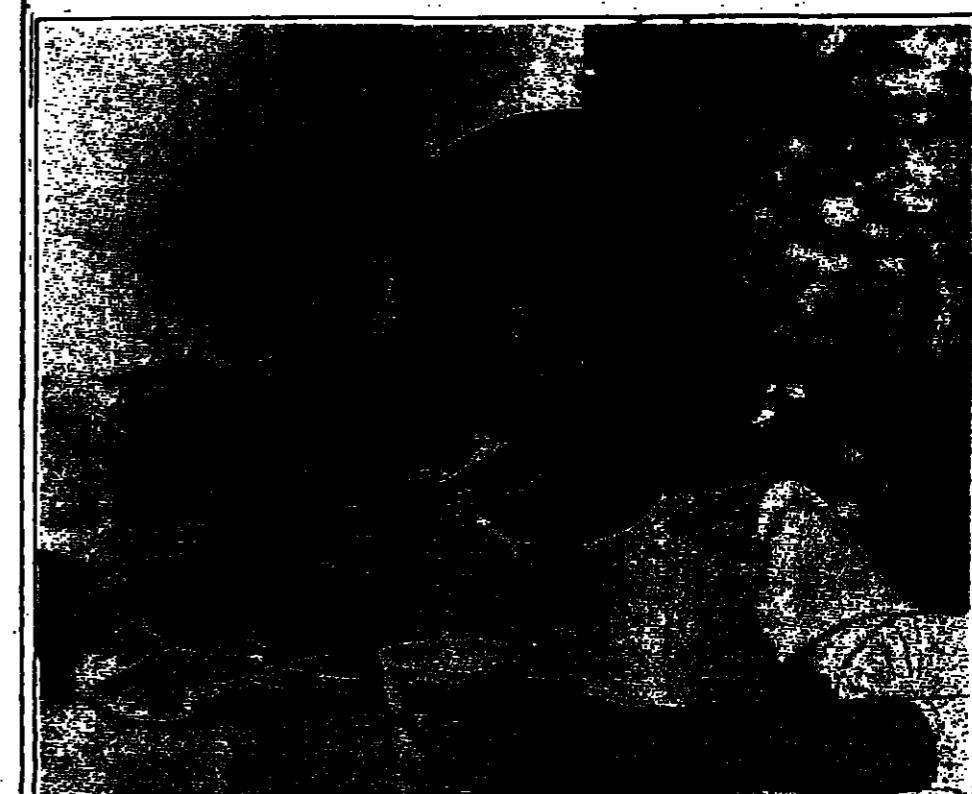
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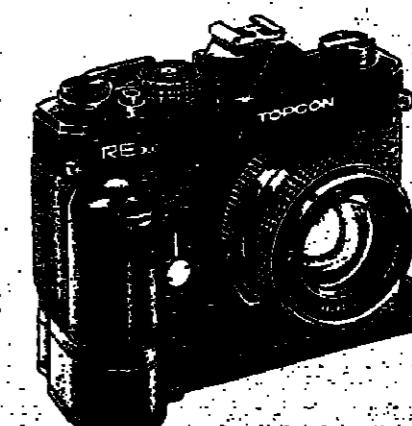


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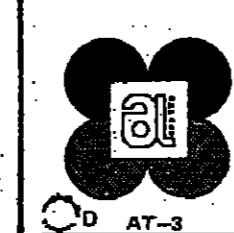
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o show oil exploration equipment

British trade mission plans visit

By a Staff Writer

EDDAH, Feb. 4 — Twelve companies involved in the design, construction and supply of plant and equipment for oil and gas exploration, production and distribution, will take part in a trade mission to Saudi Arabia in Feb. 6-18 under the umbrella of the Council of British Manufacturers of Petroleum Equipment, a press report said.

Leading the mission will be Stanley Wilce, managing director of engineering firm, Lanson and Hatchett, who believes that "rain can match — if not better — any entry in the field of petroleum technology equipment."

Mission secretary will be CBMPE deputy director, Richard Lack, who explained, "The aim of the mission is to obtain information on projects of interest to our members. The mission itself is a very representative

body.

The 12 companies participating in the mission include manufacturers of storage tanks; electrical equipment for use in flammable atmospheres; process valves; precision engineering components for the process, marine and utility industries; and industrial and marine gas turbines. In addition the group will include gasket manufacturers to the petrocarbon and allied industries, process contractors and engineers.

The CBMPE was formed in 1943 as a non-profit making trade association of British-based suppliers to the oil, petrochemical and process industries, its main aim being the promotion of business opportunities and contacts between members and user industries.

Cultural group begins meeting

DOHA, Feb. 4 (SPA) — The fifth meeting of the Permanent Committee to prepare for the First Arab Gulf Cultural Festival began here Tuesday. The festival is scheduled in Paris, 27 Rabi ul Thani to 7 Jumad Al Thani.

The three-day meeting will discuss the technical and financial arrangements for the festival.

Taking part in the meetings are representatives from Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Bahrain, Qatar, Iraq, the United Arab Emirates, Oman and the Arab Gulf Education Bureau.

The purpose of the festival to be held at UNESCO headquarters is to shed light on the area's arts and cultural heritage along with the overall development taking place in the Gulf. It will include exhibitions on various arts and handicrafts, films and books.



James Abourezk

Ex-senator to lecture

By a Staff Writer

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4 — Former Senator James Abourezk will tour Saudi Arabia and deliver lectures. His first lecture will be given at Dammam's Carlton Hotel on Saturday. He will then give several lectures in Riyadh until February 12. The lectures will be in connection with a group which Abourezk heads in the United States called "Society Against the Distorted Arab Image in the United States." But the ex-senator told *Arab News* that if asked he will reply to queries on other subjects.

Industry week set

JEDDAH, Feb. 4 (SPA) — Mecca Governor Prince Majed ibn Abdul Aziz will open the National Industry Week Feb. 25 here in the presence of Dr. Ghazi Algozai, industry and electricity minister.

The industry week, attended by 55 national industries, will demonstrate Saudi products in a parade that begins downtown Jeddah and ends at Hamra. A permanent National products exhibition will be opened during the week that will be marked by an overnight ceremony in which songs about industry in the Kingdom are sung.

Kingdom to join meteorology talks

JEDDAH, Feb. 4 (SPA) — Saudi Arabia will take part in the International Meteorology Organization's scientific and technical adjustment conference that opens in Geneva Feb. 16, it was reported Wednesday.

The four-day conference will discuss issues related to the international meteorology programs and technical definitions in developing countries. The Kingdom is participating, because Jeddah is considered a regional communications center, in addition to being a meteorology center for the Asian continent.

The Kingdom's delegation will comprise Dr. Abdul Bar Al-Gain, assistant director general of the Meteorology Department, and other officials.

For the past three years, under a directive of Crown Prince Fahd, the General Directorate of Meteorology has been working to develop environmental standards for the country. The organization to oversee this work has been established in the current five-year plan as the Meteorology and Environmental Protection Administration.

The task outlined for the group of scientists of MEPA is one of collecting and analyzing

data, and putting alternative solutions to the policy makers. The directorate's first step was to develop general environmental standards for ambient air quality and air pollution sources. The task initially was tackled by making measurements of air quality in different cities and regions in the country.

Purification plant design studied

DAMMAM, Feb. 4 (SPA) — Designs for a new water purification plant and a main water reservoir at Nuairiyah were discussed here Wednesday at a meeting of the Eastern Province's Environmental Health Committee under Abdul Rahman Al-Shuhayyel, director general of municipal and rural affairs in the area and the committee's chairman.

Completion of a water pipe network to bring water to residents of Tarof Island also was discussed as tender documents will be issued soon. A progress report on Ahsa's sewage network was also reviewed during the meeting.

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Dhuhr	12.35	12.36	12.07	11.54	12.18	12.48
Assr	3.49	3.47	3.18	3.03	3.27	3.54
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COMMENT

By Hussein Ali Hassen

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PLO claims role in hostage release

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4 (AP) — The Palestine Liberation Organization has said that its efforts were instrumental in the release of the 52 American hostages from Iran. Representatives of the group told a news conference here Tuesday that this role "reflects intentions of goodwill toward the American people..."

Members of Zionist organizations passed out literature at the door of the room in which the news conference was held claiming that PLO members helped train Iranian radicals and coordinated the assault on the U.S. embassy in Tehran.

"That is not true at all," said Dr. Hatem Hussaini, the PLO's spokesman in Washington. "We totally deny that. This is

part of a campaign of smearing in this country."

He contended the PLO has played "a very positive role in trying to bring about a better understanding between Iran and the United States." He said this resulted in the selection of Algeria as the diplomatic intermediary in the negotiations that led to the freedom of the hostages.

Hussaini and Dr. Ibrahim Abu-Lughod, a member of the PLO's assembly, said they are seeking wider appreciation for the Palestinian cause among the American people in order to change U.S. public opinion and put pressure on the Reagan administration to stop arming Israel with sophisticated weapons.

Israeli attacks hinder peace -- Ghali

CAIRO, Feb. 4 (AP) — Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Boutros Ghali has condemned Israel's "measures in occupied Arab territories and its aggressions on South Lebanon" which he said endanger peace in the Middle East.

In a statement to the Middle East News Agency, Ghali said Egypt "views these aggressions as obstacles in the road to peace and a flagrant violation of the Camp David agreements."

U.N. resolutions irk American Jews

UNITED NATIONS, Feb. 4 (AP) — American Jewish leaders warned Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim Tuesday that the U.N. was in danger of losing U.S. public support because of an "unremitting series of anti-Israel resolutions" adopted by the world body.

This increasing "disenchantment" particularly marked among American Jews — could threaten the very existence of the U.N.

Somalia's refugees face water crisis

MOGADISHU, Feb. 4 (R) — More than one million refugees face a severe water shortage in camps here, Somalia's refugee commission has announced. Worst hit are 850,000 refugees in 24 camps in the south of the country where the Shabeli and Juba Rivers are at low levels because of drought. Poor

quality water is also causing water-borne diseases.

The Somali government says refugees are still arriving at the rate of 2,000 a day from east Ethiopia where Somali freedom fighters are opposing government rule in the ethnically Somali region.

Students seize Lebanese embassy in Mexico

MEXICO CITY, Feb. 4 (AP) — About 60 unarmed high school students seized the Lebanese embassy here Tuesday to press demands for lower tuition fees and an investigation into the alleged assassination of four of their companions, a spokesman for the group said. No violence was reported.

The students demanded that Ambassador

Pakistani pressmen seek end to curbs

KARACHI, Feb. 4 (Agencies) — A few Pakistani journalists have observed an anti-censorship day, demanding annulment of press laws and censorship and restoration of freedom of the press. Journalists and press workers in some newspapers offices observed a two-hour "pen down" strike Tuesday to register their protest against pre-censorship which has been in force since Oct. 16, 1979.

A protest meeting was held at Karachi Press Club under Minaj Bara, chairman of the dissident faction of the All Pakistan Newspaper Employees Confederation. Representatives of lawyers, writers, and students organizations also addressed the gathering.

A resolution passed at the meeting also called for restoration of two banned leftist newspapers *Masanaan* and *Sadaqat* and release of arrested journalists.

Meanwhile, in Lahore the government has detained about 30 persons on suspicion of passing government secrets to Libya, lawyers involved in the case said. The group, mainly low-ranking members of former Prime Minister Zulfikar Ali Bhutto's banned People's Party, were detained during raids on homes in Lahore Jan. 9 and 10.

Although no formal charges have been made, the authorities said during habeas corpus proceedings, in the provincial high court that the group had been detained under Pakistan's Army Act, which was designed to combat subversion, for allegedly passing information and documents to an "unfriendly country," the lawyers told Reuter.

Among those held were Mrs. Farkhanda Bokhari, wife of noted Urdu language poet Sharat Bokhari, and former parliamentarian Sardar Mazai Ali Khan.

BRIEFS

LUXEMBOURG, (AP) — Egyptian President Anwar Sadat will address the European parliament next Tuesday and meet with high ranking officials of the Common Market. The visit will be the first stop on a tour that is scheduled to include Paris and Washington.

PARIS, (AP) — More than 80 Tunisian immigrant workers were rounded up Tuesday in a pre-dawn police raid on their hostel outside Paris, and three of them are to be expelled from France, police said. All but the three who are to be deported were released later, police added.

BEIRUT, (R) — The wreckage of a Lebanese army helicopter missing since Tuesday was found Wednesday with all four persons aboard dead, official sources said. The aircraft, whose passengers included a Syrian officer, crashed in a snowy mountain region northeast of Beirut after delivering food supplies to troops of the Arab peacekeeping force.

Sudanese ambassador confers with Qaddafi

PARIS, Feb. 4 (AFP) — Sudan's ambassador to Tripoli met Libyan leader Muammar Qaddafi and spoke of the need to develop the "fraternal relations" between

the two peoples, Radio Tripoli said in a broadcast monitored here Monday night.

Sudan has been strongly critical of the Libyan military intervention in Chad, which

has brought Libyan soldiers into eastern Chad, close to the Sudanese border.

The radio also said Qaddafi had met the ambassadors of Mali and Algeria.

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Helmsley Palace, Grand Hyatt open

New York city houses most expensive hotels

By Dean Lokken

NEW YORK, (R) — New York City, long accustomed to offering luxury to those who can afford it, is undergoing a renaissance in its hotel industry — especially for the well-heeled tourist. Six new hotels have just opened adding nearly 6,000 rooms to the 100,000 already existing in the city. None caters to the destitute.

The largest and most opulent are the 1,100-room Helmsley Palace, a shiny tower overlooking St. Patrick's Cathedral in the heart of Manhattan, and the 1,400-room Grand Hyatt, New York, a glass-fronted monolith adjacent to Grand Central Station.

"The most expensive is one of the four 'triplexes' on top of the Helmsley Palace at a staggering \$1,800 a night. But it will give the weary traveller a private lift, grand piano, two-storey living room, two bathrooms, four bedrooms and a spectacular view of Manhattan."

The cheapest guest room, for one person, costs \$115 a night at the Grand Hyatt. The most expensive is one of the four "triplexes" on top of the Helmsley Palace — at a staggering \$1,800 a night. But it will give the weary traveller a private lift, grand piano, two-storey living room, two bathrooms, four bedrooms and a spectacular view of Manhattan.

The Helmsley Palace, constructed by real estate tycoon Harry B. Helmsley was built so

Book reveals anecdotes

Do journalists lack human feelings?

By Katharine Whitehorn

LONDON (OSS) — If you were asked who shot Lee Harvey Oswald, you would probably say Jack Ruby. But there's another possible answer to the question: the photographer who shot those staggering pictures of Ruby gunning him down. And what has eased my mind ever since is wondering whether, if he had dropped his camera and grabbed the gunman, we might, with Oswald alive, know more than we now know why Kennedy died.

The thought is prompted by the appearance in America of Edward Behr's book *Witness*. The remark was originally made by BBC teams going around the scenes of savagery and despair in an airport in the Congo, one of the many places where Behr has covered the arming — he's not only an old Congo hand, but a veteran reporter of Algeria, Indonesia, Vietnam — the lot.

In this book, Behr produces some other instances of the press staying cold-blooded while all around them were in the thick of it. The photographer in the massacres that followed Britain quitting India, who made a sorrowing Indian family bury and rebury its dead several times until he got a perfect shot, and the BBC sound man who held up a Nigerian execution for half-an-hour while he adjusted his sound equipment.

Should these journalists, these photographers, have just stood back and watched while people killed each other? It's a tricky ethical question, and not just a matter of how brave anyone was feeling at the time, because without authentic pictures, how will the world know, how should the world believe what atrocities are committed? And, one dead photographer does not do much for the cause he cares about, even if he did feel compelled to weigh in and take sides.

Our professional ethic, I suppose, enjoins us to stay uncommitted and report the facts. Certainly, some of the seediest of journalists are those who pile on one set of adjectives — squalid, butchering, oppressive — for terrorism of whose aims they disapprove, and quite

Westerners scramble for Russian fur

By Marc Rosenwasser

LENINGRAD, (AP) — For once, the fur really was flying. A 22-year-old Leningrad biology student, not used to bargaining for what he buys, watched incredulously as New York City's Ernst Kremnitzer and 260 other foreign fur traders wheeled and deal at the semi-annual fur auction here in January.

"It's all very funny," the student said. They are like small children shouting at each other."

Of course, the buyers from 24 foreign countries had big pockets with lots of hard currency in them. When their shouts "up, up, up," had died down and they were finished bidding and buying, the Soviets were smilling all the way to the State Bank \$50 million in.

In 1931, when the Soviet fur company Sojuzpushnina was established, its foreign trade was limited to 600 companies in 19 countries.

Nowadays, the Russian firm claims to have 8,000 customers in 60 countries and says it not only deals in fur, but also in leather.

One Westerner said the recent deterioration of Soviet-American relations has caused some fear that the Soviets might stop the export of their precious furs to the United States, making it even more important to do business now.

The biggest lure in Leningrad is Russian sable. "They have Russian sables here and no place else," said Leonard Springer of New York. It was a higher stakes game this year than any time before. One New Yorker paid a record \$2,000 for each of the 25 sable skins in one lot. Soviet officials said that was several hundred dollars above the previous record. It takes at least 50 and as many as 80 skins

as to use a 100-year-old manor as its main entrance. The Villard Mansion, as it was known, was refurbished with some of its original furnishings with the addition of modern lighting and plush carpeting.

Helmsley and his wife Leona, president of the couple's nationwide chain of 30 hotels, said they were trying to re-create the elegant ambiance of an earlier era in preserving the mansion.

A sales brochure invites visitors to pause beside a red verona marble fireplace, overlooking a grand staircase. "Your view from this vantage point may include glimpses of high society arriving from a grand party or ball, much in the same manner as their pre-

The *New York Times* hailed the palace's opening last September as probably the city's most awaited and most debated hotel in 30 years. It praised the Helmsleys' renovation of the mansion but turned thumbs down on the glass skyscraper.

"The tower, which is a boring box sheathed in a dark-brown colored metal, is as mediocre a new building on the outside as any Manhattan street has seen in a long time..." It said.

"It is hard to believe that within this cheap-looking box people would be willing to pay between \$120 and 170 a night. The Grand Hyatt, has fared better with the critics of architecture, perhaps because it poured all of its \$100 million into one style — modern.

Its huge marbled atrium is a mixture of glass and brass with a variety of plants and a 100-foot high sculpture.

The cocktail lounge is the pride of the hotel. It is an airy glass cage filled with plants and sunshine, hanging out over 42nd Street and attracting long lines of workers from nearby office buildings at the cocktail hour.

Unlike the palace which has tried to embrace the past, the Grand Hyatt reaches for the present and future — escalators and banks of lifts, a glassed-in bakery where diners can watch their pastries leave the oven and a long reception desk equipped with more computer terminals than paper.

Only the site and the steel skeleton are historic. The Hyatt Corporation purchased the 65-year-old Commodore Hotel and built the new hotel around them.

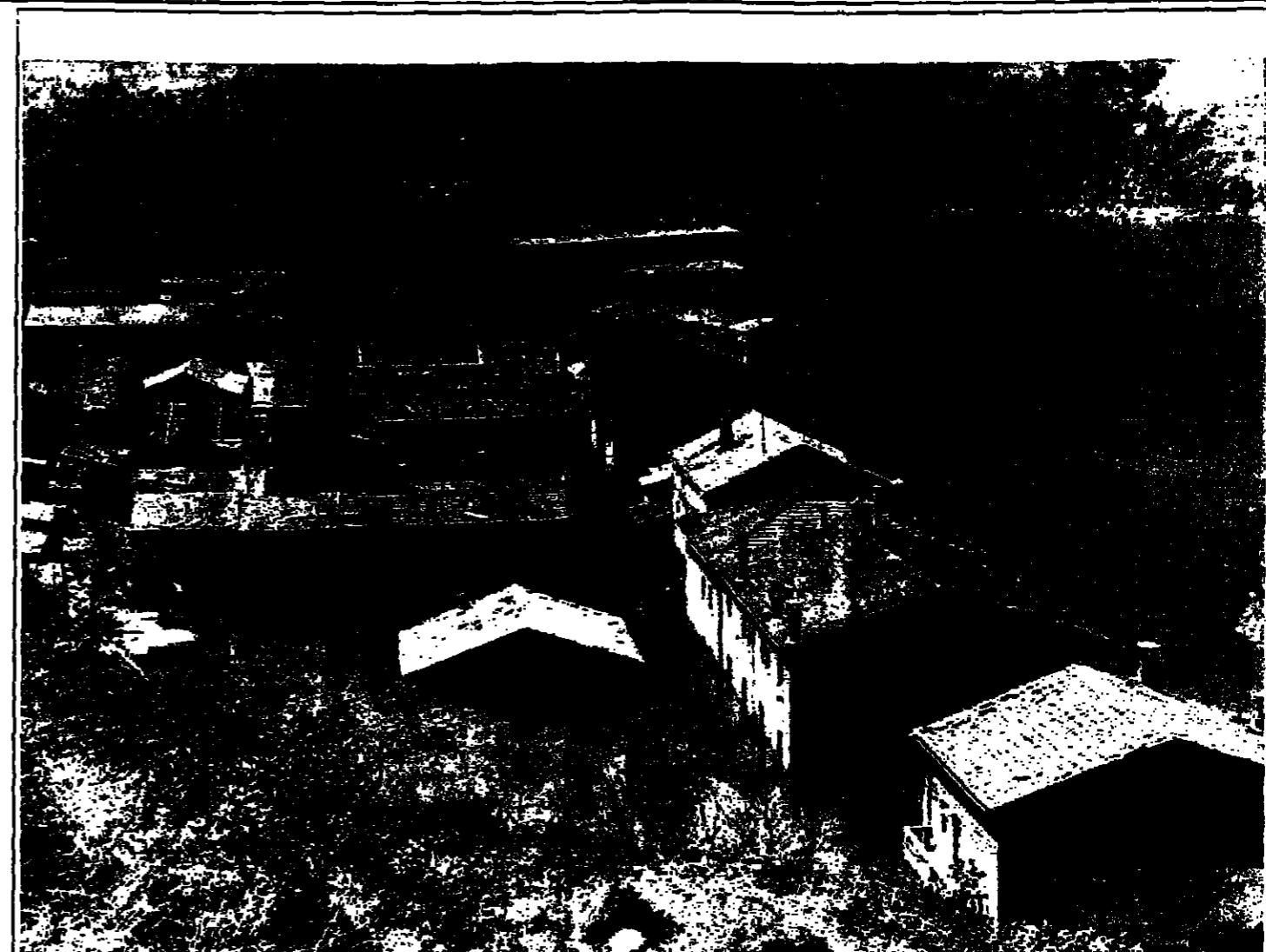
The Commodore is remembered as Dwight D. Eisenhower's presidential campaign headquarters in the 1950s and for its homecoming banquet for Charles Lindbergh after his historic 1927 lone Transatlantic flight to Paris.

"We're an American hotel," Fred Alexander, general manager says, stressing what he says is its informal, quick and efficient service. All, he admitted, at a high price.

When the Grand Hyatt opened in September, single rooms cost \$75 a night, a price which has since jumped to \$115, plus an eight per cent sales tax.

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SACRIFICE: This flooded village, on the Rio Segre, is the result of the harnessing of Spanish rivers for the purpose of creating hydro-electric power. Such pathetic scenes are considered unfortunate architectural sacrifice to progress. Ironically, the dams are also used as part of a conservation plan to provide water to dry areas in the summer. Northern Spain is well served by hydro-electric power, financed by the thriving tourist industry on the Mediterranean.

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NO TO FOREIGN TROOPS

The long-held view of the countries of the Gulf is that security for this vital area and its people has to be a matter internal to them and no one else. Foreign interference under whatever pretext, the periodical demands for foreign troops to be based in the area, have all been rejected on the sound ground that they undermine the very cause of stability they allegedly want to serve.

Two years ago, the Taif conference attended by the leaders of the Arab countries of the Gulf spelled this out clearly. Last autumn when the Gulf interior ministers met, once more in Taif, they repeated it, and started to take the matter into their own hands by setting up what amounted to an internal security pact. Yesterday, the Gulf foreign ministers again met in Saudi Arabia and gave a firm rejection of calls for foreign troops in the area as well as a firm commitment to self-reliance as the only means to security.

This had led to speculation in the West that plans for a "Gulf Confederation" are being laid — speculation which has been dismissed by the parties concerned as premature to say the least. What the area requires, and what it is providing for itself, is at present no more than coordination in the service of the collective security of its countries. This is a matter which takes time, although the foundations for a united security system have already been laid.

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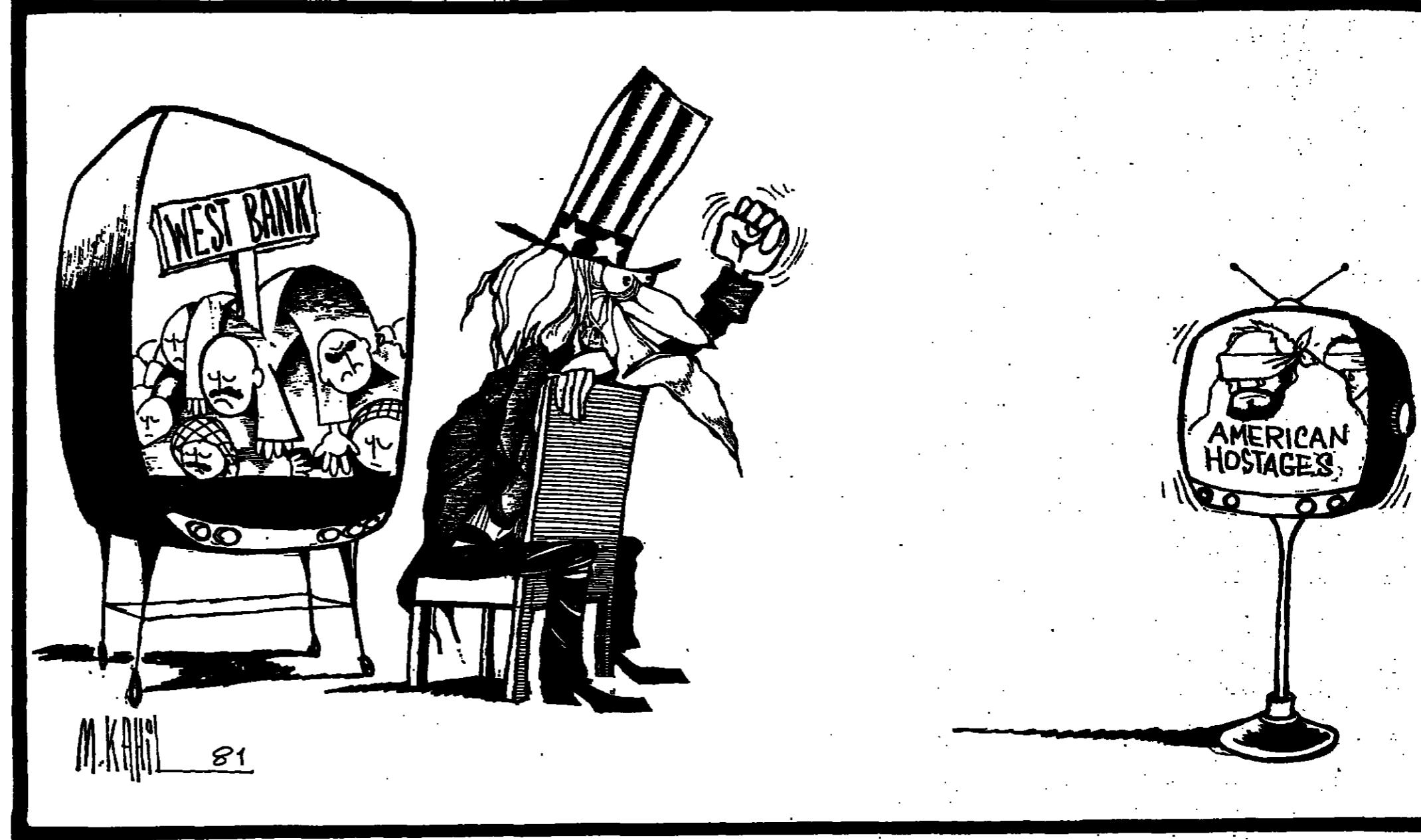
If Iraq has recently been the object of a worldwide media attack because of the French aircraft it received, Saudi Arabia has been the object, and for a much longer time, of a similar attack, because of the additional equipment it had requested for its American F-15's.

The additional equipment has been requested for reasons which are simple enough to comprehend. The major consideration here is the country's sheer size — it covers an area which is around the third of that of Europe — and the equipment is to give the planes the additional range required to cover it.

There can be no doubt too that the country cannot but be worried by the Soviet push toward the Gulf, and that the security of its soil and resources ought to be a matter of concern not merely for itself and the Arab and Islamic worlds but for the international community as a whole.

These basic considerations have, however, yet to sink in — mainly because of the wailing of the Zionist lobby and its allies in Congress, who see in the deal nothing but danger to Israel. The question is how long can the American leadership procrastinate on this matter? How long will it let the Zionist lobby blind it to the obvious interests it has in strengthening Saudi Arabia's security? How long will it continue to face Saudi Arabia's helpfulness and moderation with ingratitude?

The Americans should consider the case of France. It contracted a deal with a friendly country, and then fulfilled its part of it on time. It did not allow any extraneous considerations to weaken its resolve, or make it disown its friends.



The Third Islamic Summit (III) Wide ranging political issues tackled

(Editor's note: Following is the third of a seven-part series on the Third Islamic Summit Conference held in Taif from Jan. 25 to 28.)

By A Special Correspondent

JEDDAH —

The Afghanistan issue was one of the prominent political problems tackled at the Third Islamic Summit. This question has of late been of primary concern to the Organization of the Islamic Conference. Soon after the Russian invasion of this Muslim country, Islamic foreign ministers had gone into their first extra-ordinary session in Islamabad in January, 1980 and come out with vigorous denunciation of the Soviet intervention in Afghanistan. The matter was subsequently on top of the agenda of ministerial meetings of OIC held last year in Islamabad (at the regular annual session), and in Amman, Fez and New York at special meetings. A committee on Afghanistan composed of the secretary general of the OIC, and the foreign ministers of Pakistan and Iran has also been involved in seeking a settlement of this problem.

The summit was addressed by representatives of the Afghan Mujahedeen and it was reported that there was a general debate on this subject. The resolution on the situation in Afghanistan viewed with grave concern the continued Soviet occupation of Afghanistan and the consequent impediments which hamper the Afghan people from exercising their right to determine their own political future.

The summit strongly renewed the demand for the immediate, complete and unconditional withdrawal of all foreign troops from Afghanistan. It urged all states to extend assistance which can alleviate the sufferings of the Afghan refugees and called for creation of conditions to enable these refugees to return to their homeland in safety and honor.

The secretary general of the OIC was requested to follow up the implementation of this resolution. The summit also decided that the ministerial committee on Afghanistan (expanded to include Guinea and Tunisia besides its original membership) should cooperate with the U.N. secretary general and his special representative to reach a settlement in Afghanistan.

Regarding the question of Islamic Solidarity, the summit considered this to be a priority objective stipulated and enshrined in the OIC Charter. It invited member states to pursue a policy based on mutual cooperation and coexistence regardless of their different political, economic or social systems. It appealed to member states to fully adhere to the principle of non-intervention in each other's internal affairs, to exert efforts to eliminate any ideological or sectarian differences and to stress the basic spiritual, moral and social values which are common to all Muslims.

The summit further urged member states to speed up cooperation in economic, trade and technical fields in the interest of Islamic solidarity and called for their cooperation and coordinated efforts in international forums and also to consolidate the legitimate Islamic institutions which are operating in the political, social and cultural fields. Finally, under this resolution, the summit enjoined the member states of the OIC to refrain from entering into military pacts existing within the context of superpower rivalry or to grant military facilities to these powers.

Letter to the editor

Dear sir,

It was a moving sight to witness the presence of a large gathering of leaders of the Islamic world in the Holy Ka'aba. The entire Ummah prayed for the success of the third Islamic Summit Conference. The role played by Saudi Arabia in the convening of this historic conference is worthy of high praise and gratitude of the entire Islamic world.

The people of occupied Afghanistan, like other suffering Muslims, pin high hopes on this conference. In our hour of trial we remain assured of the continued support from you all. Today the toll of Afghan victims to win their freedom from the Russian aggressors is unbelievable:

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Help us and remember that Russia has expanded at the cost of Muslim lands in the last five centuries. Stop this aggression by helping the freedom fighters of Afghanistan.

G.N. Naushad
Jeddah

In considering the problems of the Sahel Region, the conference heard statements from some of the stricken areas of Africa whose countries have faced drought and famine since 1974. The president of Mali is reported to have made an impassioned plea for assistance to the 10 African countries affected by this problem. He explained the activities of the Inter-State Committee for Drought Control of the Sahel (CILSS) which has been trying to combat this menace. The summit decided to assume responsibility for assisting the Sahel states in accordance with Islamic solidarity and as a first step set up a committee composed of the OIC secretary general, Saudi Arabia, Iraq, PLO, UAE, Kuwait, and a representative of the Sahel region to look into this problem.

The question of the Comoro Island of Mayotte was also taken up which was before the OIC since the Seventh Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers in 1976. The island of Mayotte has been the subject of dispute and then negotiation between France and the Comoros since it was not joined to the Comoros after the latter gained independence from French rule and remains under France's control.

The summit in the relevant resolution adopted renewed the support for the Comorian government's claim to restore Mayotte to Comorian entity and called on the Comoros and France to find a speedy and just solution to the Mayotte question in conformity with the resolutions adopted on the subject by the OIC.

The summit also called for a just and peaceful solution to the Eritrean Question and to support all efforts being made to reach such a solution. In this connection, it decided to set up a committee including Sudan, Senegal, Guinea and the OIC secretary general to carry out the necessary contacts and to follow up efforts to attain a peaceful settlement of this question.

The summit expressed full support and solidarity with the Muslim population of the Horn of Africa and appealed to all parties to resolve their differences and reach a just solution of the problem: to demand immediate and total withdrawal of all foreign forces from the Horn of Africa and launched an appeal to all member states to extend financial and material assistance to the populations concerned and particularly to the refugees.

The Iran-Iraq dispute was one of the items included on the agenda and expected to be a subject generating heated debate. The Iranians had, however, chosen to shun the summit and a last minute bid to prevail upon them to come to Taif failed. Thus there could be no general debate on this question though many leaders in their speeches alluded to this conflict and regretted the ongoing war between Iraq and Iran. The summit launched an appeal to the two countries to end the fighting and to accept the good offices of the OIC to resolve their differences peacefully. It was agreed to expand the OIC good offices committee to include Senegal, Bangladesh, Gambia, PLO, Turkey and Malaysia besides Pakistan and the OIC secretary general to attempt to arrange a ceasefire and find a political solution to the Iraq-Iraq conflict.

The political matters having been resolved satisfactorily, the Islamic leaders in Taif then turned to equally important matters in the economic, social and cultural fields which would affect the daily lives of a mass of humanity. (To Be Continued)

Haig: A diplomat or militarist?

By Anthony Sampson

LONDON —

Last month Gen. Alexander Haig took over as secretary of state, having come through his confirmation hearings with few scars. Even his old critic, the *New York Times* has grudgingly conceded that he is more a diplomat than a militarist: "He is tough and flexible, articulate and fuzzy, devious and direct: a secretary of state."

It is absurd, of course, to suggest that a general cannot be a statesman; Gen. Marshall made the same transition, as Haig reminded the senators, and Marshall became one of the most imaginative and farsighted secretaries of state. Eisenhower made the same switch, to become a trenchant critic of the military. But their past experience was a far more testing one, in a global war. Haig's experience is still summed up in one word: loyalty.

I have my own uneasy recollection of that loyalty. It was when Judge Sirica in Washington was trying to investigate, with great patience and fairness, the mystery of the missing 18 minutes on one of President Nixon's tapes. He called Haig, together with many other witnesses, to give evidence. and Haig, with his pale watery eyes unblinking, answered coolly and convincingly as always, denying any knowledge.

It was obvious that someone was lying, but impossible to discover who. In the interval I spoke to Haig, who was standing aloof from the crowd of spectators and journalists in the lobby. Haig immediately burst out into a passionate attack on the whole proceeding: "It's like the Salem witch-hunt" — and complained bitterly about the impossibility of getting a fair hearing in this poisoned atmosphere.

But how different and much more difficult it looks from the country itself. The people are determined to achieve their independence from South Africa which the United Nations has promised them and which is their right under the terms of trusteeship; and they are fixed by the example of Mugabe, but like Mugabe very skeptical of Soviet intentions. Many of them are caught between the

problem of Namibia.

It is so much easier to depict Namibia in simple military terms. Black guerrillas, Communist-trained, invading the borders of this South African outpost, terrorizing and murdering the villagers. Support in Angola in the background from Cubans and East Germans, maintaining Angola as a puppet-state committed to Marxism. The SWAPO leader Sam Nujoma, fighting between Communist capitals, always ready to make a statement which bears out the worst fears of the West. And Namibia itself — sorry, South West Africa — a valuable prize for the Communist victors, with its uranium and diamonds and its long frontier with South Africa. One can visualize the arrows and dotted lines on the military map, the confidential briefings from Pretoria to Washington.

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the Islamic states which participated in the Mecca summit conference.

Al *Yawm* said peace and stability in the Gulf region would effectively contribute in easing tension in this extremely sensitive region and would also thwart the ambitions of other countries in this area. The paper urged the major powers of the world to keep aloof from the region and strive to protect it from international conflict. It called upon them to realize that the Gulf states' keenness on their independence and integrity would largely help in the maintenance of world peace and realization of welfare and prosperity for humanity at large.

Al *Nadwa* held the view that Gulf foreign ministers now meeting in Riyadh would come out with practical solutions toward the maintenance of peace and stability of the region. It reaffirmed that the Gulf states' keenness on their independence and integrity would largely help in the maintenance of world peace and realization of welfare and prosperity for humanity at large.

Dealing with the same subject, *Oskar* observed that a unified strategy would tend to build a defensive force based on the principles of cooperation and coordination in all matters of mutual concern for the region. It called upon other countries of the world to remember that security and stability of the Gulf are its own problems and it is capable of playing its role at all levels.

game of international conflict. The paper asserted that the region's security is the responsibility of its own people, as they can play a tangible role in a spirit of peace and tranquility in the region. The paper scoffed at Moscow's plan to keep the region neutral and wondered whether it really can play such a role at a time when it is practising an ugly type of terrorism in Afghanistan.

Discussing coordination among the states of the Gulf, *Al Jazirah* observed that a strong sense of responsibility by the leaders of the region toward the welfare and prosperity of their peoples had made this coordination a matter of pressing necessity. But, it said, this aim can be achieved only when security, peace and stability reign supreme in the region. It urged the world forces to bear in mind that peace and stability of the region are the direct responsibility of the leaders of the region, and others would do well just to show an actual regard for the type of security these leaders agree upon and enforce in the region. The paper made it clear the Gulf is not an isolated region but part of the greater Arab and Islamic homeland.

On the same subject, *Al Riyadh* noted that Gulf cooperation is a matter of absolute necessity not only for the people of the Gulf but also for the whole Islamic world. The paper said the Kingdom plays a pivotal role in the maintenance of security and stability in the region. It added that the economic matter, which would form a major topic of discussion during the Gulf foreign ministers' meeting in Riyadh, is a matter of great concern for

Arab News Diary

JEDDAH

By Raana Siddiqi

PRINCESS ELASSA BINT KHALID was the guest of honor at the official opening of *Rauzat Al Tifl Al Saeed Kinder House School* last Wednesday. The Princess and other guests were first taken round the school by Mrs. *Mutabagani*, the proprietress of the school. She explained the importance of carefully planned pre-school training of young minds. Her guests included women from the field of education and wives of diplomats. Mrs. *Mutabagani* a cheerfully serene person is very popular among the tiny tots who look for daily visits to the school.

THE NATURAL HISTORY group Saturday (Feb. 7) will feature Dr. W. *Buettiker*, a senior research biologist with *Ciba Geigy*, who will speak on *Remote Sensing in Medical Antimology IN Saudi Arabia - a beginning*. The lecture will be at 8 p.m. at the USGS compound near Spinzer Restaurant on Medina Road.

AL FAISALYAH WOMEN'S WELFARE SOCIETY has arranged a tea party Monday (Feb. 16) at 7 p.m. for members only. It has also planned a *Saudi Evening* Feb. 25 and 26 which will feature Saudi dances including sword, flute and wedding. Other attractions are demonstrations of varied styles of veils and abayas and the correct way to wear them. Saudi food served in tents and eaten in traditional Saudi style - sitting on the ground, and an exhibition of jewellery and silver ware. The program begins at 7 p.m. Non-Arabic speaking women are encouraged to attend the first evening when the commentary will be in English. Tickets of SR 150 are on sale now at the *Faisalyah* premises. (To reach Faisalyah cross the Palestine Road round - about after the U.S. Embassy and take first turn to the right after the Spanish Residence).

THE FLEET MARKET will be held at the PCS Primary section Feb. 26 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. instead of March 26. Contact Mrs. *Wilcox* or *Shaun William* on telephone 6654266 between 2:00 and 4:00 p.m., for reservation.

Eastern Province

THE EVENT OF THE WEEK in Dhahran was the visit by Ahmed Zaki Yamani, minister of petroleum and Mineral Resources. He spoke on "Oil - look into the future" at the University of Petroleum and Minerals. Since the lecture was delivered in Arabic, English-speaking people in the audience were treated to simultaneous translation through remote-control led headquaters. Several of them removed their headphones momentarily to enjoy the flavor of Yamani's speech. The lecture was televised through closed-circuit TV for those unable to get seats in the auditorium. Many Westerners hearing a Saudi Arabian

statesman for the first time were surprised by the fraternal warmth in Yamani's tone "I speak as brother to brother. Don't expect a lecture to be memorized. This is a discussion based on give and take, so we can look together and find the truth". Later the minister answered questions. UPM Rector Abdullah Bakr hosted a reception in honor of Zaki Yamani at his residence.

THE DHAHRAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL faculty members held a reception in honor of principal *Lee Teeple* on his 50th birthday. A big cake was decorated with a camel to honor his coming to the Kingdom. He said later, "I'll remember this birthday for the next hundred years."

AN ENGLISH PROFESSOR at the American University of Beirut, recently visited the Eastern Province. *John Munro* has since returned to Beirut where he finds time in between lectures to act in a film on the Lebanese civil war. He plays the role of a German journalist. The film is about a cancer-stricken German journalist covering the war who falls in love in Beirut, survives the war and returns to Germany where he dies.

THE EASTERN PROVINCE TV is picking up. On Saturday one could watch *J.R. Ewing and his cronies* on *Aramco TV*, which began the popular *Dallas* series that night, or view the last instalment of the same series on *Qatar TV*. On Sunday the science series *Cosmos* was on *Aramco TV*.

THE EXHIBITION OF ORIENTAL CARPETS, being held by *Age* at the *Al-Gosaibi Hotel* in Al-Khobar, will continue until Feb. 9. Most of the rugs are fairly recent, but there are some old tribal pieces. A 25-minute documentary film on the making and washing of carpets also is shown at 11:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. daily. There is a special weaver who weaves wornout carpets.

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IN THE LEGAL field *John Lonsberg* has arrived from Missouri to set up a law office in Riyadh with *Bazar Bashi*. Lonsberg will be joined by *Stephen Boyd* and *John Gray*, both from Washington, for the firm *Bryan, Cave, McPheeters and McRoberts*.

ALL SWEDISH LADIES are invited to an evening coffee, Sunday Feb. 8 at 7-9 p.m. at the *Swedish House* of the *Ivan Palme Holt*. Map can be obtained at *Swedish Trade Office*, tel 6659687 6674195.

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They include the biggest names in the electricity industries of Western Europe, North America, the Far East and Saudi Arabia. Many will be exhibiting in national groups with the support of their governments.

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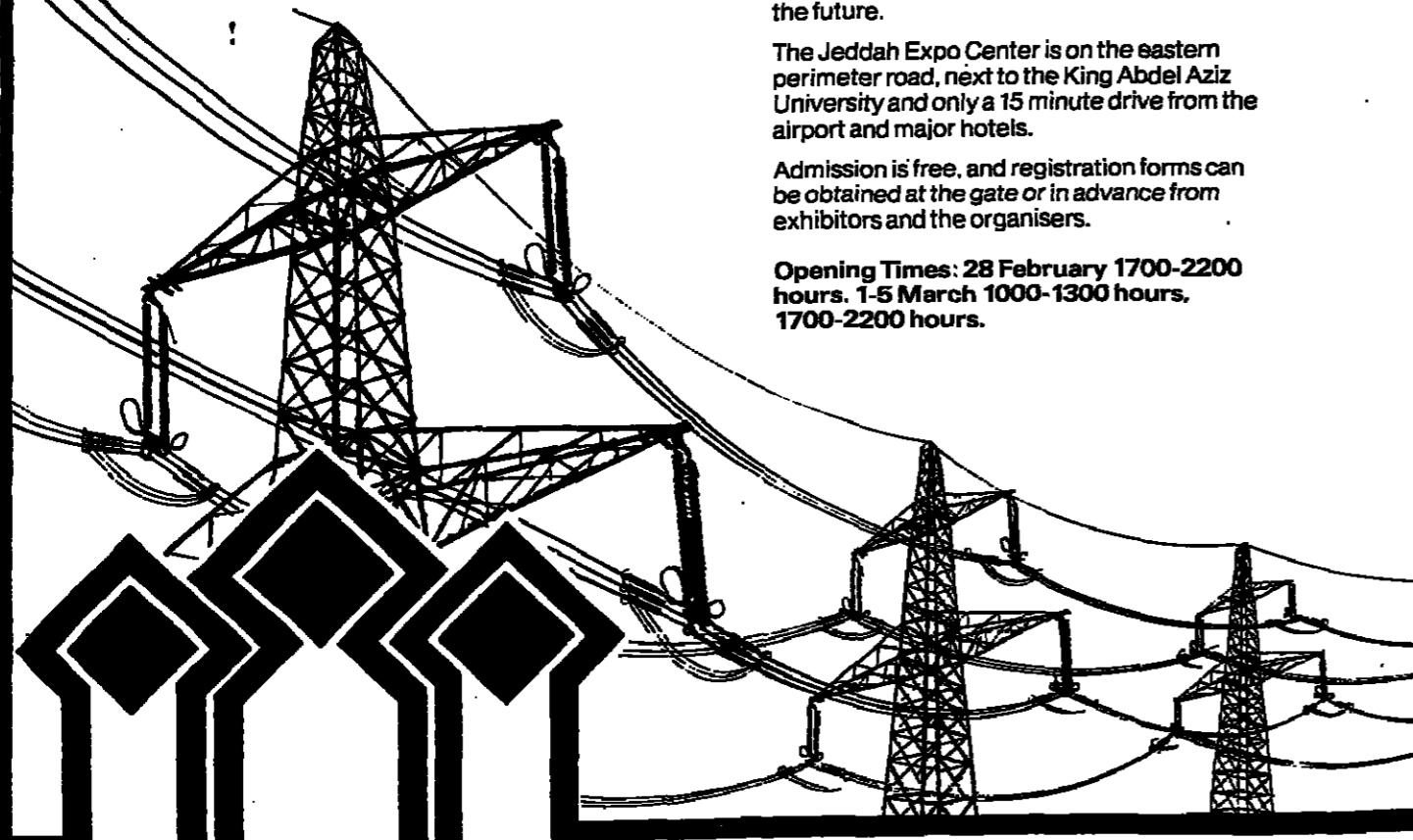
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Nebulous group of Europeans

By Heather Winlow

Meeting with Bedouins

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JEDDAH — On first coming to live in an Arab country such as Saudi Arabia, one slowly becomes aware of the existence of a rather nebulous group of Europeans known as Arabists. These people have traveled in the Arab world and are fully acquainted with its customs and traditions. They also, of course, speak Arabic.

Saudi Arabia was my first Arab experience. I had little knowledge of the customs and traditions of the Arabs and even less of the Bedouin. During the last four months of my living in Jeddah I had never travelled more than 50 miles in any one direction from the city.

One Thursday afternoon I set out from Jeddah accompanied with two companions, Ian and John, both of whom could speak Arabic and had had contact with the Arabs but, however, had never met any Bedouin. This was a gap in their experience which they had hoped to fill.

Having decided to travel in the general direction of a small town called Al-Lith on the Red Sea coast, we dutifully, as all non-Muslims must, turned off the road to Mecca onto the Christian Bypass. We continued to travel down the Christian Bypass for about 50 miles before turning onto another road which would lead us to Al-Lith, lying 150 miles away.

The Al-Lith road was reasonably good. The most striking feature of the landscape through which we passed was huge grey rocks that had been eroded into spectacular shapes by the sand and wind. One rock standing 50 feet or so in height, looked particularly interesting as it resembled a mushroom. Sand dunes rose and fell around us. Vegetation was sparse and consisted mainly of small bushes. We stopped to take a closer look at the scenery and found, to our astonishment, a small solitary white flower growing in the middle of the sand. It still amazes me to think that in the harsh conditions of semi-desert one can find a flower!

After some time we spotted a Bedouin camp, yards from the road, of three large tents. The main activity came from a large number of sheep and goats wandering around the area. We stopped our van some distance from the camp and walked toward a tent.

The tent was supported by two wooden poles. The four corners being held in place by ropes pegged into the ground. There was nothing inside apart from the mats which covered the floor.

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when she saw us walking towards her and then returned to the task of washing the child's hair. She was wearing a long black dress and several pieces of Bedouin jewellery hung down from her neck. The veil she had put on covered the lower part of her face but left her eyes showing. The effect was quite stunning.

Ian and John greeted the woman, who seemed neither nervous nor ill-at-ease at our sudden arrival. The little girl beside her smiled shyly at us. Her hair was covered in a substance which looked like mud, but I guessed it was probably henna. The two other children, both boys, looked at each other, looked at us, then looked back at each other laughing. They were obviously delighted and amused by our unexpected visitors.

We learned that all the men had gone to the local village Mosque. Although we knew the stories of the Bedouins' hospitality, even toward total strangers, we realized it was unlikely in the absence of any men that the women would invite us into the camp. We thanked her and left with the two boys running behind us shouting and waving.

We were all disappointed that circumstances in the camp had not been different. Nor did we know if we would find another Bedouin camp. However our fortunes were about to change dramatically. After travelling for half an hour we saw another camp. This camp looked more promising than the last. It was large and there were a number of men and women.

A very sharp-looking Bedouin shepherd was standing by the roadside. We decided to talk to him in the hope that he would invite us into the camp.

We walked slowly towards the shepherd. As soon as Ian and John greeted him he became extremely friendly. They spoke with him for some time.

Being unable to speak Arabic, I could not join in the conversation and so contented myself with discreetly studying the shepherd.

I put his age at between 55 and 60. His face was the most weathered I had ever seen in my life! Deep lines ran across a dusty brown skin, more appearing when he frowned or laughed.

He continually played with his beard, which was streaked with grey, ginger, brown and black. His once white robe and head cloth (Ghutra) had changed to a dull grey. From his shoulder hung a small bag. Every now and then, the shepherd would suddenly stoop down and pick up a small stone and throw it at one of the animals that had wandered too far so. Finally the shepherd asked us if we would like to come into the camp.

The camp lay on the other side of the road. John and I walked with the shepherd while Ian drove our van across. There were six large tents visible and an assortment of vehicles including a water truck! The people inside the tent nearest to us had seen us arrive and began to gather outside. The tent had been partitioned in the middle with women occupying one side and men the other. The women stood watching us with avid interest while the men walked towards us.

It was amusing to watch them trying simultaneously to talk to each other and to my companions while shaking their hands. No man shook my hand. From their expressions they seemed confused as to whether they should or not. In the end one man solved the problem of acknowledging me. He bowed his head and smiled slightly. The other men followed suit. Ian said he was not sure whether I would be allowed into the men's tent. Just then laughter from the women, who were still stood chattering around their side of the tent, caught my attention. Several of the women beckoned me to join them. Leaving Ian and John with the men, I began to walk toward them.

Eight women took hold of me and motioned me inside the goats hair tent, which they had woven themselves. Seating me on a mat they then began gathering in a semi-circle, each woman trying to sit as close to the next as possible. A quick glance around revealed, the clutter inside. Mats covered the ground. In the entrance of the tent assorted cooking equipment lay scattered about. Over in the corner a trunk overflowed with dresses and various other items of women's clothing.

There was no doubt as to who this side of the tent belonged to!

All the women looked at me curiously. Each woman wore a long dress with the colors ranging from vivid pinks to somber greys.

Many of the dresses had been embroidered with silver and gold thread. Their hair was covered with a piece of black netted material over which the veil was worn. The veils covered their faces and left only their eyes showing. Along the edges of the veils tiny, colored beads had been sown. The effect was beautiful. On their eyes each woman had applied Kohl. This black substance had the effect of making the eyes appear much larger than they really are — as well as soft and dewy. Typical Bedouin jewellery was worn by most of the women in the form of bracelets and necklaces. Many of the women had decorated their hands and feet with Henna.

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India to reprocess spent nuclear fuel

BOMBAY, Feb. 4 (AP) — India is transporting spent uranium fuel to a reprocessing plant in Tarapur, near here, and hopes to begin converting it into plutonium within a month, a top Indian nuclear scientist said Tuesday. Plans call for reprocessing spent fuel from the U.S.-built Tarapur reactor by the end of the year. Conversion of the fuel from the Rajasthan nuclear power reactor in central India would be a major step toward production of weapons grade nuclear material.

India detonated what it called a "peaceful nuclear explosion" in 1974 using plutonium

produced by a small experimental reactor at the Bhabha Atomic Research Center here.

"We will begin reprocessing the Rajasthan fuel within a month," Vinay Meckoni, director of the nuclear safety group for BARC, told reporters. "We are now transporting the fuel from Rajasthan to Tarapur and we hope it (reprocessing) will begin during the first third of the year." The reprocessing plant, India's first, was completed about two years ago. It has been undergoing shakedown trials since, Meckoni said. Conversion of the Rajasthan fuel will begin when the final tests are completed.

Both the fuel from the Rajasthan and the Tarapur plants come under international "safeguards," meaning that India agreed when it bought the uranium to keep the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) in Vienna advised of what it was doing with the material. The converted plutonium also would be under the "safeguards," the scientist said. Meckoni said India has advised the IAEA of its plans to begin reprocessing the fuel and that it told the United States 10 years ago that it intended to do so eventually.

The scientist did not say how much spent fuel from Rajasthan, provided originally by the Soviet Union, would be involved in the initial reprocessing. A government pamphlet says the 185-megawatt power plant began operating in April 1979. The Tarapur atomic power station began operating in 1969.

A major problem at Tarapur has been storage of the ever increasing amounts of spent fuel. Meckoni, while acknowledging the problem exists, said India decided to begin reprocessing fuel first from the relatively new Rajasthan plant. "It will be the end of the year before we have to face up to the storage problem at Tarapur," Meckoni told reporters touring BARC.

The scientist said India will use the converted plutonium for "fast breeder" reactors now under construction. These generate more fissionable material than they consume.

Whether India detonates another nuclear device "all depends on what the country wants," added BARC director Raja Ramanna. "At this time there are no plans for a peaceful nuclear explosion. My personal view is that it would not be useful for the next 20-25 years."

The atomic reactor at Tarapur made headlines last fall when the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission decided unanimously to block a delivery to India of about 38 million tons of enriched uranium.



FRENCH-BRAZILIAN TIES: French Foreign Affairs Minister Jean-François Poncelet (right) and his Brazilian counterpart Ramiro Jaraívar Guerreiro exchange documents Friday at the Elysée Palace in Paris after their respective presidents, Joao Figueiredo (center, background) and Giscard d'Estaing (right) had signed a series of letters covering a wide area of industrial cooperation between the countries. (AP photo)

Eanes-Figueiredo talks

U.S. warned against Angola meddling

LISBON, Feb. 4 (AFP) — President Joao Figueiredo of Brazil has declared that any U.S. intervention on the side of anti-government rebels in Angola would be "regrettable." Speaking at a news conference at the Queluz Palace, 15 kms from Lisbon, Tuesday Figueiredo said Africa had been one of the main subjects of his talks with Portuguese President Antonio Ramalho Eanes

Haig backing assured for anti-Hanoi move

SINGAPORE, Feb. 4 (R) — Singapore has unveiled a plan to create a united resistance movement under non-Communist leadership in Kampuchea to work for a Vietnamese withdrawal from the country.

The deputy prime minister for foreign affairs, Srinathambu Rajaratnam told a press conference that the plan, adopted by the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN), also had the support of China.

The Singapore minister, just back from a tour of the United States and four Latin American countries, said he discussed the plan with Secretary of State Alexander Haig in Washington.

"My impression after the talks was that the U.S. will give very favorable consideration to the idea as a rational and practical move," he said.

and Premier Francisco Pinto Balsemao. The Brazilian leader is nearing the end of a week's trip to France and Portugal. He goes to Oporto on the north Wednesday, when he will fly back to Brazil.

Figueiredo said that if the new Reagan administration in Washington decided to back a movement such as the National Union for the Total Independence of Angola (UNITA) against the socialist government of the former Portuguese colony, it would be "regrettable." He said he had told General Eanes that Brazil would not support such a policy. The Reagan administration has yet to make its Africa policy clear, and there has been no public suggestion the United States might come to the aid of UNITA, led by Jonas Savimbi and supported by South Africa.

The U.S. provided military banking for UNITA and another "moderate" Angolan movement during the 1975-76 civil war at the time of independence. But recently, the ruling People's Movement for the Liberation of Angola (MPLA) has been turning increasingly to the West for economic and technical assistance, although the thousands of Cuban soldiers that helped the MPLA win the civil war in the country. The Angolan rulers have said the Cubans will stay until Namibia, the South African-ruled territory to the south, is independent and South African cross-border attacks on Namibian guerrilla bases in Angola have stopped.

Meanwhile, a former white mercenary with a South African special commando in Angola, admitted in Salisbury Wednesday that he had taken part in the systematic killing of Angolan civilians. The mercenary, identified only by the codename "Cowboy," said he served a two-year contract with South Africa's 32 battalion, obeying orders to slay black Angolans, destroy their homes and kill their livestock. "Our main duties with 32 battalion were to eliminate all the civilians in the area and destroy all the food and water and to hammer southwest African Peoples' Organization (SWAPO) guerrillas," he said. The 30-year-old mercenary, a former member of the Rhodesia light infantry battalion, said civilians were systematically killed to prevent "intelligence being given to SWAPO" on the presence of South African troops and to deny SWAPO moral and material support.

He explained how he had personally been involved in killing Angolan civilians. "We killed some civilians and buried the men near a church. We also put dead cattle in the water to contaminate it," he said. The killing of civilians was "a regular thing" with 32 battalion, the mercenary said. "If we saw any civilians in the area we had to kill them in case they gave our position away. Our officers told us just to kill and bury them, just to get them out of the way," he said.

The mercenary said he joined 32 battalion after contacting its recruiting officer, a retired colonel. White mercenaries in the battalion were well paid, he said.

8 devoured by tigers in India

NEW DELHI, Feb. 4 (Agencies) — Tigers have devoured at least eight persons in recent weeks in a densely forested region bordering Nepal, the United News of India (UNI) reported Tuesday. Villagers were afraid to venture out of their homes after sunset and reported that tigers have killed 65 people in the past few years, UNI said.

The agency also reported that a small eastern Indian village is in ruins after it was attacked and plundered by vengeful fishermen of a neighboring hamlet, who also molested women and killed a young boy.

Armed with spears, truncheons and acid, villagers of Manpur, who are members of the "gokha" or fishermen's caste, raided the upper-caste Gunthal hamlet. They plundered its inhabitants, threw acid on women and kidnapped eight persons, UNI said. The raid apparently was to punish the 35-family Gunthal for demanding that it should not be joined with Manpur, inhabited by 320 families, as one village for revenue collection.

The two adjacent hamlets are located in Orissa state. They are shown as one unit in local revenue records. A UNI reporter who visited Gunthal reported that "most men had fled in panic... and women were still dazed." Many village women also were robbed of their gold ornaments and suffered acid burns, he said.

BRIEFS

BRUSSELS, (AFP) — The family of Moise Tshombe, who led the secession of Katanga from the Congo (now Zaire), is asking the Belgian courts to reopen the case of the 1967 airplane hijacking that landed him in Algeria, where he was detained and died two years later. Tshombe's family cites the testimony of the confessed hijacker, ranchman Francis Bodenau, in a separate fraud case for which he was arrested in Belgium in November 1979.

THE HAGUE, (AFP) — China expects the Dutch government to take immediate measures to reverse its decision to sell submarines to Taipei, the spokesman of the Chinese embassy Shen Zhihuan, said here Tuesday. He was commenting on a motion adopted by the Dutch parliament earlier in the day rejecting a government decision to sell two submarines to Taipei.

ADDIS ABABA, (AFP) — The options open to the Southwest African People's Organization (SWAPO) following the failure of the recent U.N.-sponsored Geneva conference on Namibia are to intensify the armed struggle and to press for comprehensive mandatory economic sanctions against South Africa, SWAPO President Sam Nujoma said here Tuesday.

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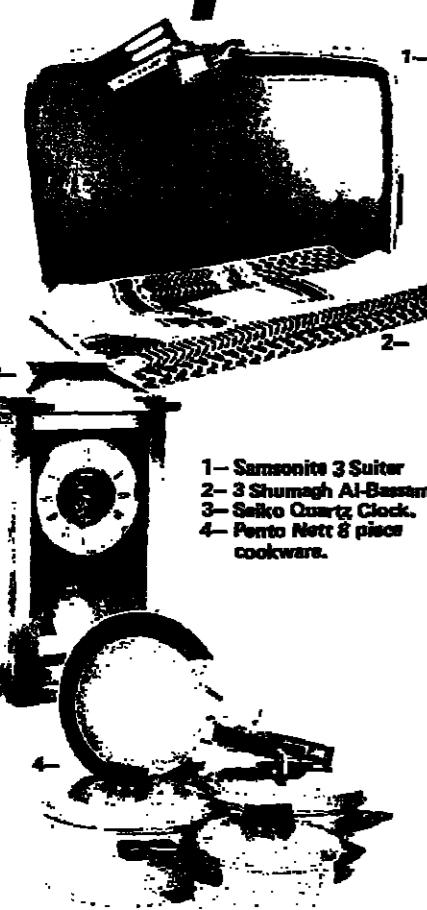
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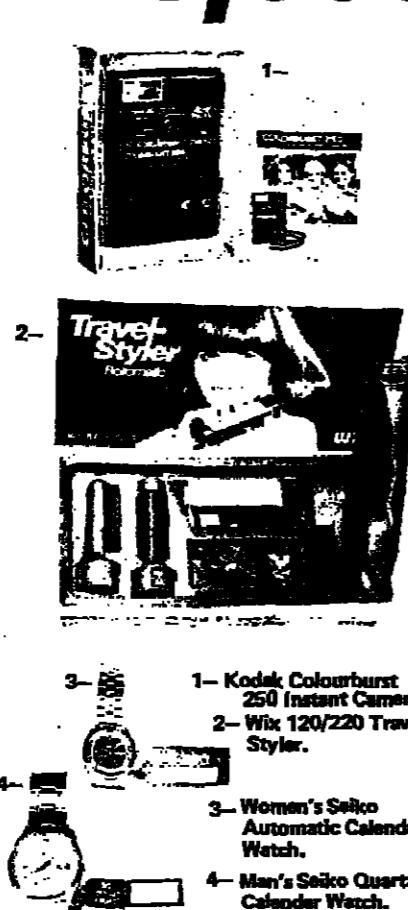
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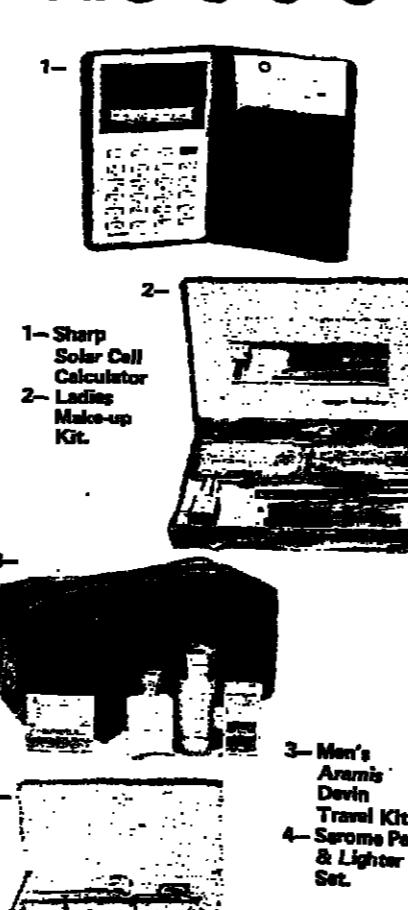
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Cuba aids fighting in Salvador, Haig says

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4 (R) — Secretary of State Alexander Haig was quoted as saying that Cuba had intervened heavily in the fighting in El Salvador through neighboring Nicaragua.

Venezuelan Foreign Minister Jose Alberto Zambrano Velasco told reporters Tuesday that Haig said this during a private discussion they had at the Washington headquarters of the Organization of American States (OAS). Zambrano Velasco was one of seven central and south American foreign ministers who had bilateral discussions with Haig, ostensibly to talk about the border conflict between Ecuador and Peru. The ministers were from Colombia, the Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Honduras, Panama, Peru and Venezuela.

Haig told reporters as he left OAS headquarters after two hours that his discussions were "very timely and very beneficial and highly productive."

Sources close to the discussions said the situation in El Salvador, where a civil and military junta is battling leftists seeking reforms, had dominated the meetings as much as and sometimes more than the Andean border dispute. The talks were Haig's first with Latin American foreign ministers since he took office.

Emilio Ludovino Fernandez, foreign minister of the Dominican Republic told reporters after his session with Haig that the U.S. secretary of state did not say a word about the conflict between Ecuador and Peru. "He spoke at length about El Salvador," the foreign minister said, adding that he was very impressed by Haig's knowledge of the problems of the western hemisphere.

Other foreign ministers said their discussions with Haig ranged far wider than the Ecuador-Peru dispute and included besides El Salvador, the importance of cohesion in the five-nation Andean Pact, an economic grouping for regional cooperation of Bolivia, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru and Venezuela.

U.S. study shows

Cancer agent found in air samples

COLLEGE STATION, Texas, Feb. 4 (AP) — A toxic chemical that causes cancer in test animals has been found in air samples taken at a remote Pacific island, an unprecedented finding that indicates the contamination is worldwide, researchers say.

HCB, or hexachlorobenzene, was measured for the first time during tests by Texas A and M University scientists on Enewetak atoll, site of the first hydrogen bomb test 29 years ago.

"Presence of HCB at such locations indicates widespread contamination of the atmosphere and confirms the long-range atmospheric transport of its compound," reported C.S. Giam, head of chemistry at A and M, and Elliot Atlas, a senior research chemist.

"These are the first measurements of HCB in the remote marine atmosphere," said Atlas. "The relative constancy of the compound between sites suggests that HCB is very stable and may remain in the atmosphere a long time."

HCB, a by-product of at least 14 industrial processes such as rubber manufacturing, is also a key ingredient in fungicides. Disposal of the chemical by dumping at sea was banned in the 1970s.

Atlas indicated the low levels in the island air did not appear to present an immediate health hazard. He said their findings suggest HCB must be everywhere in the world, because remote islands are used by scientists to measure background levels of specific pollutants against which future



BOMB IN CAR: A bomb that exploded outside the Nicaraguan embassy in San Salvador last week had been placed in this car, according to police. The blast destroyed a private home and blew in the front of the embassy. Nicaragua has been accused of aiding leftist guerrillas who are currently fighting the El Salvador government.

Ceasefire holding

OAS trying for Peru-Ecuador compromise

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4 (Agencies) — With Ecuador and Peru Wednesday reported respecting a ceasefire in their border war, the Organization of American States (OAS) was aiming for a compromise resolution in a bid to settle the dispute.

It was to meet again later Wednesday after earlier discussions were halted by Peru's demand that military observers in the disputed area at the headquarters of the Amazon be drawn only from nations which guaranteed the 1942 Rio de Janeiro Peru-Ecuador treaty — Argentina, Brazil, Chile and the United States.

Ecuador wants the observers to come from a committee of "friendly states" in the OAS, which could include all four guarantors as long as they were not officially described as such.

One source here said the four had accepted this, and there would be an attempt to persuade Peru not to insist on the use of the word "guarantor" in the final resolution from the meeting.

OAS officials said the best answer might be to keep the resolution to a simple call for a

peaceful solution to the conflict, without naming any countries in the commission of observers.

Meanwhile, from Lima the military attaches of the four guarantors returned from a trip to the front line saying that the ceasefire was holding. The Peruvian Foreign Ministry Tuesday night denied reports that an Ecuadorian aircraft had bombed a Peruvian border post, killing seven frontier guards.

In Lima, Peru has called for demarcation of its border with Ecuador along the disputed 50-mile mountainous stretch where their armed forces battled for five days.

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Guidelines set for Congress to slash U.S. federal spending

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4 (R) — The Congressional budget office has listed 105 areas where the government could save billions of dollars to help meet President Reagan's goal of slashing federal spending.

No total was given for the savings, which ranged from defense to the social security system. But unofficial estimates put the total at between \$30-36 billion in 1982 and much more in later years.

The non-partisan budget office compiled the list for the House of Representatives and Senate budget committees, which will play a major role in considering Reagan's budget-cutting plans.

Reagan held a news conference last week that his budget cut "will be bigger than anyone has ever attempted." His economic program of budget cuts, tax reductions and curbs on federal regulation for the private sector is

expected to be revealed on Feb. 18 when he delivers a State of the Union Message to Congress.

The report was submitted Tuesday as a guide for Congressional budget cutters, and it said the list budget reductions was by no means exclusive.

Possible savings included large long-term savings of up to \$12 billion over five years by limiting defense investment increases to no more than three per cent of real growth.

Japanese cars blocked in French ports

PARIS, Feb. 4 (AFP) — Thousands of Japanese cars are at present blocked in French ports because of the French government's delay in signing a certificate of approval.

Japan, it is understood, is preparing a protest to France over the obstacles placed in the way of imports of new Japanese car models.

At present, 14 new or slightly modified Japanese models are blocked for sale in France. Four Honda models, three Mazdas, three Datsuns, three Mitsubishi, and one Toyota.

French importers say most of the models have received a provisional approval certificate but they are still waiting for the signature that would allow the cars to go on sale.

The holdup is threatening to bankrupt the 1,000-odd concession-holders and agents selling Japanese cars in France.

Importers say that: (A) They have always carefully respected the three per cent import quota imposed by the government. (B) They are surprised by the government's attitude. (C) The slump in Japanese car sales did not stop a boom in sales in France last month of cars imported from France's Common Market partners, West Germany and Italy.

The importers also point out that a lot of French-manufactured equipment, like tyres and headlights, are fitted to imported Japanese cars, and that a drop in sales damages French manufacturers of these accessories, as well as the transport firms that bring the cars in from the ports.

Foreign Exchange Rates

Quoted at 5:00 P.M. Wednesday

	SAMA	Cash	Transfer
Bahraini Dinar	—	8.60	8.85
Belgian Franc (1,000)	98.00	—	—
Canadian Dollar	2.79	—	144.75
Deutsche Mark (100)	157.40	157.40	160.00
Dutch Guilder (100)	—	—	4.45
Egyptian Pound	—	4.40	4.45
Emirates Dirham (100)	—	90.90	90.85
French Franc (100)	68.00	70.00	67.70
Greek Drachma (1,000)	—	72.25	73.90
Indian Rupee (100)	—	—	41.25
Iranian Rial (100)	—	—	—
Iraqi Dinar	—	8.25	—
Italian Lira (10,000)	33.00	34.50	33.05
Japanese Yen (1,000)	16.40	—	16.60
Jordanian Dinar	—	10.42	10.73
Kuwaiti Dinar	—	12.23	12.26
Lebanese Lira (100)	—	87.00	85.90
Moroccan Dirham (100)	—	75.00	75.15
Pakistani Rupee (100)	—	—	33.70
Philippines Peso (100)	—	—	44.50
Pound Sterling	7.82	8.05	7.83
Qatari Rial (100)	—	91.75	91.80
Singapore Dollar	—	—	1.61
Spanish Peso (1,000)	—	41.10	41.10
Swiss Franc (100)	173.00	173.00	174.40
Syrian Lira (100)	—	62.00	85.75
Turkish Lira (1,000)	—	—	36.00
U.S. Dollar	3.33	3.335	3.34
Yemeni Rial (100)	—	—	73.50
Gold kg.	53,200.00	—	—
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Saudi Arabian Government Tenders

Authority	Description	No. of Tender	Price SR	Closing Date
Municipality of Abha	Maintenance of street lights	9	1000	Feb. 23
Directorate General of Education, Eastern Province	Supply of requirements for physical, technical, sports, social and stage training	27	Free	Feb. 24
Directorate of the National Guard, Western Province	Supply of drinking water in Taif	11	30	Feb. 22
Ministry of P.T.T.	To make amendments in the telegraph office in Nasirah	25/400/401	500	Feb. 18
Directorate General of Municipal and Rural Affairs, Western Province	Construction of labs for the environmental health (including furnishing and supply of chemicals)	13/M	100	Feb. 15

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3.	Alaska II	O.C.E.	Reefer	2.28.1
4.	Serifos	M.T.A.	Reefer	28.1.81
5.	Mosha 'D'	Bamoodah	Bagged Barley	30.1.81
6.	Maldiv Seafarer	O'Trade	Sorghum/Pepper/Timber	1.2.81
7.	Saudi Sun	O'Trade	Rice/Sorghum/Malzeh	3.2.81
8.	Char hoong	Abdallah	Timber/Gen.	—
9.	Abu Mishari	Orni	Steel/Gen/Cable/	2.2.81
10.	Al Kulalib	—	Conns	3.2.81
11.	Kawachi Maru	Aliresa	Containers	3.2.81
12.	Odysseus	Rolco	Bulk Cement	1.2.81
13.	Grecian Temple	S.C.S.A.	Bagged Barley	26.1.81
14.	Lord Byron	H.S.S.C.	Durra	31.1.81
15.	Passat Universal	Star	Fruits	2.2.81
16.	Interactivity	Fayez	Bagged Barley	3.2.81
17.	Annejm	O.C.E.	Bagged Barley	2.2.81
18.	Kaa	Najd	To load	2.2.81
19.	Dona Sophia	Barber	Timber/Plywood	3.2.81
20.	Carl Everett	O.C.E.	Bananas	2.2.81
21.	Merry Viking	A.E.T.	Containers	3.2.81
22.	Muse Bell	Aliresa	Heavy Veh.s & Parts	3.2.81
23.	Milas VI	Algossibi	Tiles/Timber/	3.2.81
24.	Nour	Hitta	Marble/Gen.	—
25.	KING ABDUL AZIZ PORT DAMMAM	Gulf	Barley/Tiles/Marble/	—
26.	SHIPS MOVEMENT UPTO 0700 HOURS	Gulf	General	3.2.81
27.	29.3.1401/4.2.1981 CHANGES PAST 24 HRS.	Gulf	—	—

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1.	Adelbert-a-Machika	Gulf	Bulk Wheat	31.1.81
3.	New Beach	Gosibi	Bulk Cement	13.1.81
5.	May Star	Gosibi	Bagged Cement	16.1.81
6.	Robin Hood	UEP	General	31.1.81
8.	Kellett Island	UEP	Gen/Conts	3.2.81
9.	Christos — A	OCE	General	3.2.81
10.	New Tide	Gulf	Loading Sugar	29.1.81
11.	Samos Progress	Gosibi	Bagged Sugar	27.1.81
12.	Kriti Diamond	Kanoo	Gen/Conts	2.2.81
15.	Ivory Telus	Gulf	General	3.2.81
18.	Hartsley Ace	AET	Cans	4.2.81
20.	Ioannis Mardinos	Kanoo	Const/Rice	12.12.80
27.	Dignity	Gosibi	Bagged Sugar	30.1.81
28.	Oriental Forest	Kanoo	Steel Pipes	3.1.81
29.	Sensang Island	Kanoo	Plywood	4.2.81
31.	Alexanders Ismini	Gulf	General	2.2.81
33.	Angeliki	Gulf	Bagged Sugar	27.1.81
36.	Passas Flag	SNC	Cement Silo VSL	4.1.81
37.	United Wave (D.B.)	Alireza	Bulk Cement	31.1.81
38.	Uni Cement	Globe	Cement Silo VSL	30.11.80

Kuwait lends \$304 million to 20 nations

KUWAIT, Feb. 4 (AP) — The Kuwait Fund for Arab Economic Development granted 20 loans totaling \$304 million in 1980, said the fund's annual report.

The loans went to seven Arab countries, seven states in Asia, five in Africa and Cyprus, the report released Tuesday added. The report said since its establishment 18 years ago the fund extended 162 loans totaling about \$2.5 billion shared by 52 states.

Sixty-five per cent of these loans went to 16 Arab countries, 12 per cent to 20 African countries, 22 per cent to 13 Asian states, while the remaining one per cent to three countries elsewhere.

The fund's capital has now reached about \$3 billion the report said. The loans were granted at interest rates ranging from 1.5 to 5.5 per cent per annum with repayment durations ranging from 9.5 to 36.5 years with grace periods ranging from 1.8 to 6.5 years, the report said.

The fund also extended \$24 million in free grants, to 27 states, in the form of technical assistance for project evaluation and feasibility studies conducted by its own consultants and experts.

Regan calls for raising debt ceiling by \$50 billion

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4 (R) — The U.S. Congress must quickly raise the ceiling on the national debt by \$50 billion to avoid major disruption of financial markets, Treasury Secretary Donald Regan said.

Present debt was near the \$935.1 billion ceiling. If Congress failed to vote a \$985 billion ceiling by the middle of February "this will cause quite a stir in the financial markets," he told the House of Representatives Ways and Means Committee Tuesday.

The prices of securities would fall and the U.S. would have to suspend sales of savings bonds. Decisions would have to be made on stopping payments on government contracts, he added.

The Ways and Means Committee later approved a bill raising the ceiling to \$985 billion on a voice vote. Full House of Representatives action is expected later this week. This must then be approved by the Senate.

The growing debt is a consequence of a series of large government budget deficits, which have meant heavy official borrowing. By law, the U.S. cannot have greater debt than the statutory ceiling.

The administration would have to seek another increase in the debt ceiling to above \$1,000 billion next year, Regan said.

Although President Reagan was proposing budget cuts, the budget would not be balanced in the 1982 financial year starting Oct. 1.

The president would outline his proposed cuts, tax reductions and regulatory reforms on Feb. 18 in a Congressional message,

Reagan said. If these were adopted by Congress they could limit the size of future increases in the debt.

Taking away the revenue generated by crude oil, gas, drilling and production rigs, imports exceeded exports by 35.4 per cent, \$6.8 billion, last year compared with a 1979 shortfall of \$4.7 billion.

According to the Export Council of Norway, the trade deficit of the so-called mainland economy, everything except ships, oil, gas and related activities, could rise to almost \$8.2 billion this year.

Latest estimates say sales of traditional non-oil goods

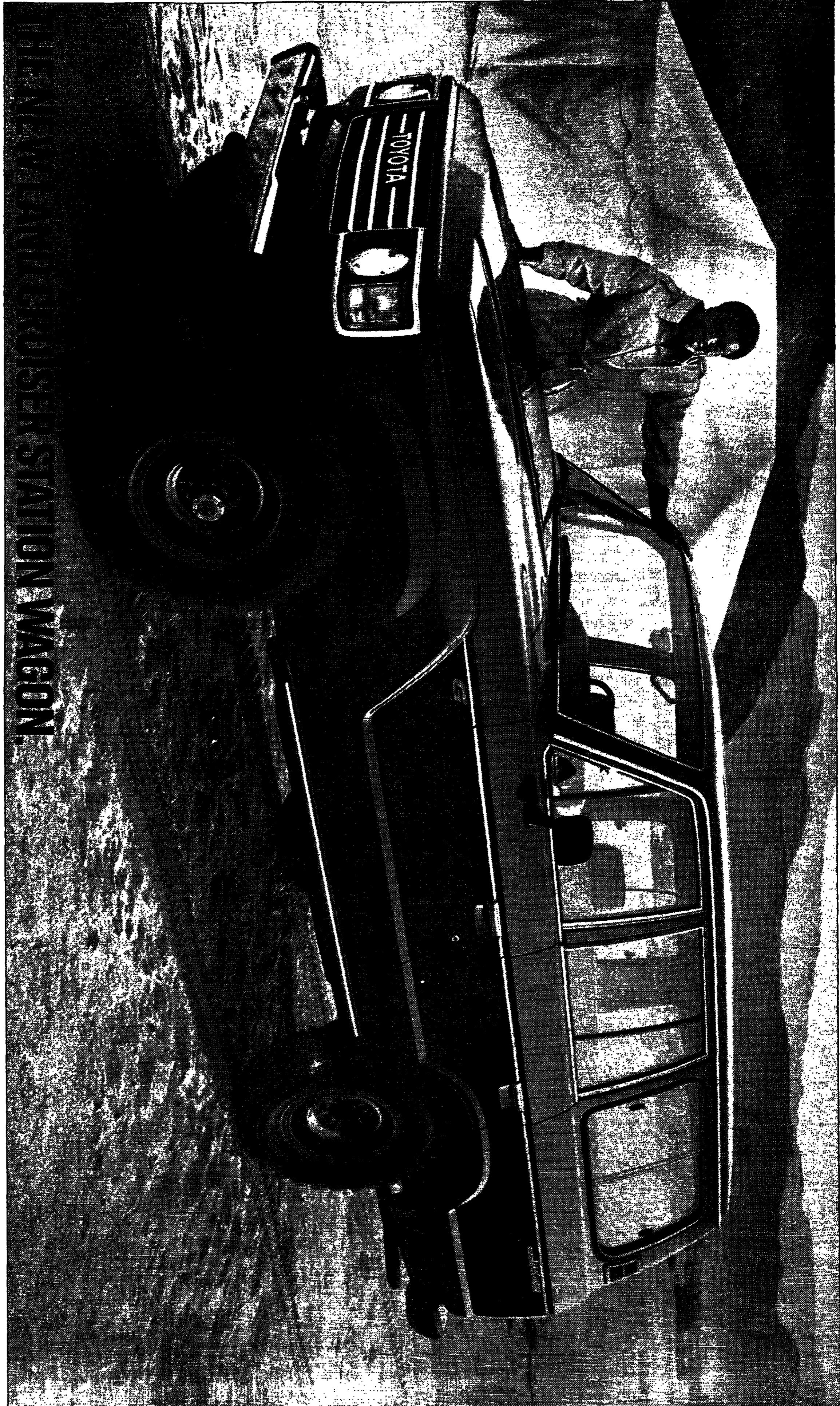
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The magical 16 in NBA

76ers stage splendid rally to beat Hawks

NEW YORK, Feb. 4 (AP) — The magic number in the National Basketball Association Tuesday night was 16. Veterans Julius Erving and Bobby Jones combined to score 16 points as the 76ers rallied to defeat the Atlanta Hawks 97-93.

Meanwhile, rookie Louis Orr came off the bench to score 16 points as the Indiana Pacers downed Milwaukee 108-99 and snapped the Bucks' home-court winning streak at — you guessed it — 16 games.

Elsewhere, the San Antonio Spurs shaded the Detroit Pistons 102-99, the Kansas City Kings trimmed the Dallas Mavericks 121-100, the Houston Rockets beat the Denver Nuggets 135-128 in overtime, the Portland Trail Blazers turned back the Washington Bullets 111-104 in overtime and the New York Knicks nipped the San Diego Clippers 101-98.

Atlanta had an 87-81 lead when Erving and Jones went to work. Jones' three-point shot with 4:04 left cut the lead to 97-84 and 20 seconds later Erving stole an inbounds pass and scored to pull the 76ers within one.

Pacers 108, Bucks 99: Biffy Knight scored 18 points and James Edwards added 18 to lead Indiana, but Orr scored 10 of his 16 points in the fourth quarter to clinch victory for the Pacers, who trained by 11 midway through the second period. Marques Johnson led the Bucks with 27.

Spurs 102, Pistons 99: Paul Griffin intercepted a pass and hit a layup with 25 seconds left to key the Spurs to victory. Detroit's Jerry Drew had a chance to put his team back

into the lead with seven seconds remaining but missed two free throws and San Antonio's Dave Corzine then hit a pair with four seconds left to provide the final margin.

Rockets 135, Mavericks 100: Phil Ford scored 30 points and Scott Wedman 29 as the Kings rallied from a poor first quarter to hand Dallas its sixth consecutive setback.

Rockets 135, Nuggets 128: Moses Malone poured in 38 points, including six crucial points in overtime, to lead Houston to victory. Denver's David Thompson tied the game 118-118 at the end of regulation time with a three-point shot at the buzzer.

Trail Blazers 111, Bullets 104: Billy Ray Bates scored seven of his 24 points in overtime as Portland snapped Washington's four-game winning streak and handed the Bullets only their second loss in the last 11 games despite a career-high 38-point performance by Greg Ballard.

Knicks 101, Clippers 98: Bill Cartwright scored a season-high 33 points — 20 in the second half — to lead the Knicks. Nine of Cartwright's points came in the final 6:51 to nail down the triumph.

Meanwhile in the quarterfinals of the men's Cup European Basketball Sebastian Rieti (Italy) beat Royal Anderlecht (Belgium) 72-71 after the teams were tied 42-42 at half time while Sunair Ostend (Belgium) beat Juventud Badalona (Spain) 82-64 in Ostend.

In the women's tournament, Vozdovac Belgrade (Yugoslavia) beat Slavia Prague (Czechoslovakia) 90-76 in Belgrade.

Wimbledon fans to protest

LONDON, Feb. 4 (AP) — Wimbledon supporters under threat of having to travel across London to watch their team at Crystal Palace next season, are to go to football league headquarters at Lytham St Annes' in Leshire to lobby the management committee and present their protest to secretary Graham Kelly.

Former club chairman Ron Noadeff bought out the Crystal Palace board 10 days ago in the hope that the transaction would provide the chance of ground-sharing next season. Palace are currently bottom of the First Division and almost certain to be relegated to the Second next season.

His hopes have met with stiff opposition from Wimbledon supporters who stated Tuesday: "We have decided to embark upon a campaign of action to ensure the league football will continue at Plough Lane (the Fourth Division club's ground)."

Meanwhile, European champions Nottingham Forest are set to sign a Yugoslav international, although manager Brian Clough is not revealing the player's name.

Forest, who play South American champions Nacional of Uruguay in the World Club Championship final in Tokyo on February 11 had the player watched when his club Red Star of Belgrade played a friendly against West Bromwich Albion in Birmingham Monday night.

And they will have an opportunity of taking an even closer look when the Yugoslavs play Forest at the city ground another tour match on Wednesday night.

"I put great importance on this match because we can watch the player in action, that's the main reason why we accepted this game," said Clough.

England record 6-wicket victory

JUNGSTOWN, St. Vincent, Feb. 4 (AP) — England's cricketers, still short of match practice and form, meet the formidable West Indies for the first time on their Caribbean tour here Wednesday in the first of two One-Day Internationals scheduled for the series.

The tourists have so far had only one first-class match and that was against a weak West Indies Cricket Board President's eleven.

A scheduled four-day match here against the Windward Islands was converted into two one-day limited-overs games because of rain and England captain Ian Botham admits, "we just aren't ready yet."

However, England will be heartened by the fact that the West Indies will play without star batsman Vivian Richards who is resting an injured leg.

In his absence, the West Indies selectors have included 24-year-old Jamaican batsman Everton Mattis, the only new comer in their squad of 12 from whom the final eleven will be chosen.

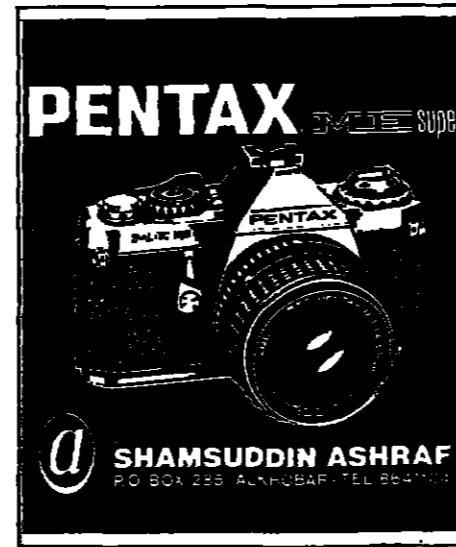
England themselves have injury problems.

England record 6-wicket victory

JUNGSTOWN, St. Vincent, Feb. 4 (AP) — England won the second of their two one-day matches against the Windward Islands by six wickets at Arnos Vale, St. Vincent Monday. But they made hard work of it after opener Graham Gooch departed for a typically aggressive 50 in the 29th over.

The match was changed from 50 overs to 55 overs aside after it was discovered by one of the local radio scorers that Peter Willey had bowled his allotted ten overs and was five balls into his eleventh. Umpires M. Hippolyte and P. Alleyne conferred and decided that the best way around the problem was to change the rules.

Gooch, Boycott and Graham Gooch, opening together for the first time on this tour, began the target of 184 for victory at a little over three an over. They scored only ten runs from the first nine overs before Gooch hit out for his first fifty since arriving in the Caribbean. But after Gooch was out, Brian Rose, David Gower, and Peter Willey all fell cheaply and England were involved in a run scramble in the closing overs, with Boycott playing his customary sheet-anchor role. They needed 48 from the last ten overs and 25 from the last five. But the big-hitting Graham Stevenson, promoted in the order, helped to see England home with 13 balls to spare.



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THAT CONTROVERSIAL DELIVERY: Trevor Chappell bowls an underarm ball to Brian McKechnie in the last over of the Benson and Hedges World Series Cup cricket match Monday.

We are not yet prepared, England skipper says

Vice captain and fast bowler Bob Willis wrenched his knee in the match against the Windward Islands here Sunday and is unable to play.

The West Indies are defending World Cup champions of 1975 and 1979 and are acknowledged as the best limited-overs team in the game.

They beat England 2-1 in the one-day series in England last summer and completed a 20 triumph over Pakistan in a similar series in Pakistan recently.

The Government of this tiny, recently-independent island state has declared a public holiday and the small ground is expected to be filled to its 8,000 capacity.

The following are the squads from which England and the West Indies will choose their final teams for the first one-day cricket international of the series here on Wednesday.

England (in likely batting order): Graham Gooch, Geoff Boycott, David Gower, Roland Butcher, Mike Gatting, Ian Botham (captain), Peter Willey, David Baird, Graeme Stevenson, John Emburey and Graham Dilley.

West Indies (in likely batting order): Desmond Haynes, Faouad Bacchus, Alvin Kallicharran, Larry Gomes, Everton Mattis, Clive Lloyd (captain), David Murray, Malcolm Marshall, Joel Garner, Andy Roberts, Michael Holding and Colin Croft.

Mitchell has it easy

Wells wins pet event with degree of comfort

MELBOURNE, Australia, Feb. 4 (AP) — Olympic 100 meters champion Alan Wells of Scotland handed out a hiding to local competitors in the 100 meters at the State Insurance Games at Olympic Park here Wednesday night.

The muscular Scotman powered to an effortless victory in 10.4 seconds over little-known Victorian Kevin Dinallo who could manage only 10.8 seconds.

Missing were Australia's Pacific Conference Games representatives Peter Gandy of Sydney and Bruce Frayne of Adelaide and Gerard Keating of Balagat.

Australian Olympic silver medallist at Moscow Rick Mitchell brilliantly won the 400 meters. He clocked 46.31 seconds to beat Australia's Pacific Conference Games representative John Fleming by seven meters.

"I'm pleased with that performance as I'm only 85 per cent fit and I've just completed a crash three week training program," Mitchell said.

Australian Pacific Conference Games 400 meters champion Michelle Baumgartner, 17, unlike many of her team-mates who did not compete "because they were tired" again produced a top performance. She clocked 53.2 seconds to beat Hungarian Olympic Ilona Pal by eight meters with team-mate Marian O'Shaughnessy third.

Games meeting manager David Lord announced at the meet that due to "lack of communications" New Zealander John Walker would not run.

Much of the meeting's publicity centered around the appearance of Walker and Lord said he was most upset at the mile's champion

absence. "Further inquiries will be made as to how it came about," he said.

The men's 800 meters went to Andras Paraoczi, Hungary, in 1:47.40 minutes ahead of Australian Rom John Micham and Peter Peerless, of New Zealand, with Henry Kinyanjui, Kenya, fourth.

American Robbie Harris won the 1500 meters in 3:41.17 minutes from countryman Tom Smith and Ken Hall of Australia.

Australian distance runners Steve Austin and Gerard Barrett staged a 5,000 meter battle. Austin won in 13:29.2 minutes to Barrett's 13:30.8 with Malimwana the Olympic steeplechase champion a distant third in 13:43.2 minutes.

Stenmark is champion

SCHLADMING, Australian Alps, Feb. 4 (AP) — The men's Alpine Skiing World Cup hierarchy re-established itself in Tuesday's Giant Slalom here after the surprises of the Sankt Anton Slalom two days ago.

The winner on both occasions, however, was the same. Ingemar Stenmark, who came along way back to win at Sankt Anton, left little doubt about the outcome Tuesday.

Sweden's winter sports equivalent of Bjorn Borg, clocked the second fastest first leg time behind outsider Jean-Luc Fournier of Switzerland and his traditional faster second leg insured him a comfortable victory, nearly one second clear of Hans Ehn of Austria with Fournier third.

It was the double Olympic champion's seventh win this season and the fourth out of five Giant Slaloms completed. The only Giant Slalom to escape him was at foggy Ebnet Kappel.

Row robs race of glamor

JOHANNESBURG, Feb. 4 (AP) — A dispute over control of world motor racing has deprived the South African Grand Prix of some of its glamor this year, but the drivers say they will be racing just as hard to win.

"Whether this race has points or not, we'll all be going just as hard" said Alan Jones of Australia, the 1980 world driving champion and the favorite to win Saturday at the Kyalami Circuit just north of Johannesburg.

"Everybody is sick to death of all the politics that have been messing things up for the past year. We are in the business of racing, and we'll put on a first-class race Saturday."

Whether the Kyalami race would be

counted as a world championship event was

left in doubt right up to the last minute

because of squabbling between the sport's governing body, FISA, and the Formula One Constructors Association (FOCA), which has led a rebel Grand Prix movement.

FISA, the French initials for the Interna-

tional Auto Sports Federation, said in Paris Monday that it has sanctioned an "open formula" Grand Prix race for Kyalami Saturday.

But the governing body has said Saturday's race will not count for the 1981 world championship and that it is sticking to its own championship calendar, which begins with the U.S. Grand Prix West at Long Beach, California, March 15.

Though FISA has deprived the Kyalami event of championship status, FOCA has contracted with the South African organizers for a race Saturday and the locals have said all along they would stage the race come hell or high water.

But the race will be with an abbreviated line-up. Instead of the 30 or so cars that normally take part in a Grand Prix race, 19 formula-one machines brought here by FOCA teams will be on the starting grid Saturday.

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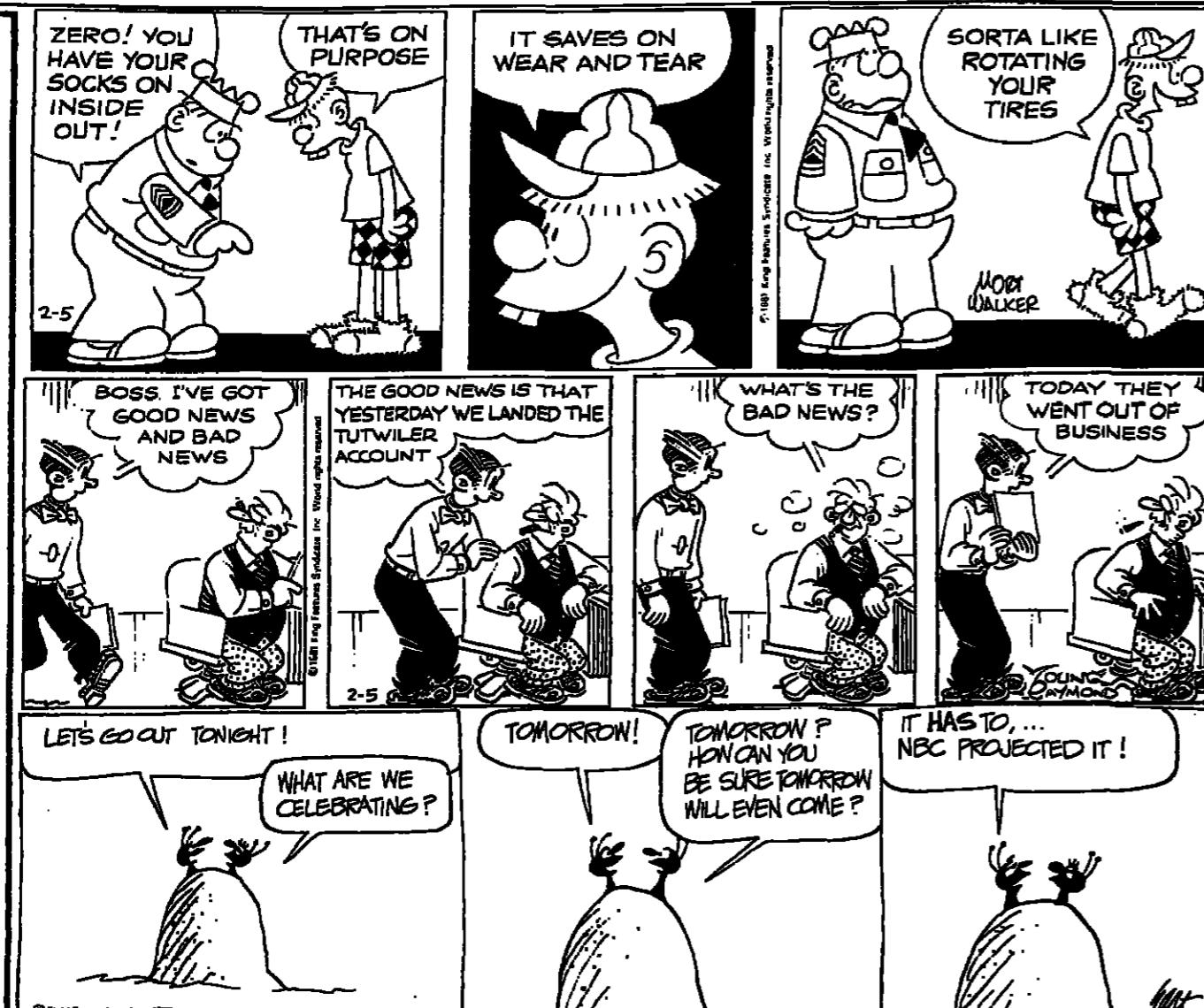
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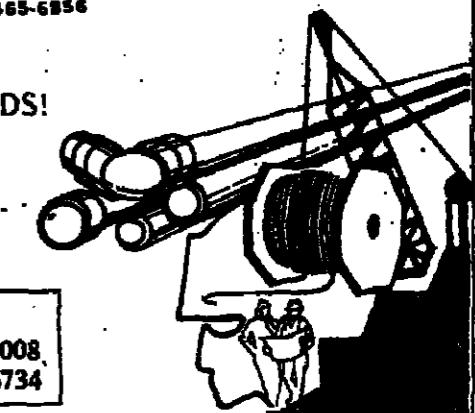
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Afghan issue

Shahi, Dost likely to confer in Delhi

NEW DELHI, Feb. 4 (Agencies) — The nonaligned foreign ministers' conference beginning here Monday may provide an opening, outside the conference room, for a political solution of the 13-month-old Afghan crisis, well informed diplomatic sources said Wednesday.

However, within the conference hall, foreign ministers from 90 countries are expected to debate the Afghan issue, with some of the 42 Muslim member nations pressing for a revision of the draft declaration prepared by India on Afghanistan, the sources said.

"Some Islamic countries, which have taken a hardline on the Afghan issue, have suggested to India that the draft declaration should be revised to make specific references on the need for a Soviet pullout from Afghanistan," one Third World diplomat

said, but he expressed the hope for a compromise.

"But the importance of the New Delhi meet is outside the conference hall... It may initiate direct contact between Pakistan and Afghanistan and if willing, Iran," he said. This will be the first time that the foreign ministers of Pakistan and Afghanistan and the representative from Iran and U.N. Secretary General Kurt Waldheim will meet at one place since last month's Pakistani proposal for talks with Afghanistan under U.N. auspices.

Pakistan Foreign Minister Agha Shahi had announced on Jan. 3 that he had written to Waldheim asking him to appoint a special representative to initiate talks with Afghanistan's neighbors.

Afghanistan will be represented at the forthcoming conference by Foreign Minister Shah Muhammad Dost and Shahi will lead the Pakistani delegation. The Iran delegation will be led by Behzad Nabavi, the executive affairs minister, conference sources said.

The draft declaration on Afghanistan for the conference reads: "The ministers noted with grave concern the situation in southwest Asia and agreed that it carried dangerous implications for the peace and stability of the region. They emphasised the inadmissibility of the use of force in international relations or of intervention or interference in the internal affairs of sovereign states. They expressed the need to de-escalate tensions and to seek a political settlement through peaceful means.

"They expressed their full support for the independence, sovereignty, territorial integrity and non-aligned status of Afghanistan and urged the parties concerned to work toward a settlement which would ensure that the Afghan people would determine their own destiny, free from any outside interference."

Mirages for Iraq

Tehran attacks France

BERUIT, Feb. 4 (Agencies) — Iran and Iraq reported sea and paratroop assaults on their Gulf warfront Wednesday as Islamic mediators waited for the greenlight to undertake a peace-making shuttle between the two warring oil giants.

Iraq declared readiness to receive and talk to the eight-man commission an Islamic summit conference formed in Saudi Arabia last week to try to end the 136-day-old war. But Iran withheld a final decision.

Iran's state radio in Tehran, meanwhile, accused France of violating neutrality in the Iran-Iraq war by delivering Mirage F-1 jet fighters to Iraq and withholding delivery of missile boats Iran has bought from France.

"French imperialism justified its action by saying it was fulfilling a pre-war contract with Iraq, but imperialism was not so quick to honor agreements to supply arms and equipment already purchased by Iran," the broad-

U.S. order canceled

Jordan to get British tanks

AMMAN, Feb. 4 (Agencies) — Britain will supply Jordan with a number of tanks, the British Deputy Foreign Secretary Sir Ian Gilmour said in Amman Tuesday as the U.S. State Department announced in Washington that Jordan had temporarily withdrawn its request for the purchase of more M-6 tanks. Jordan had requested a total of 200 tanks from the U.S. last year.

Gilmour who is touring Jordan made the announcement following talks with King Hussein and Crown Prince Hassan.

The Carter administration had approved the sale in principle, contending that Jordanian tank strength was well below that of its neighbors. But the administration sought initial congressional approval for only 100 of the tanks. U.S. officials said Jordan told the U.S. late last year it wanted to reconsider its proposed purchase of the second 100.

They said Jordan's decision was made after it had received 35 M-60 tanks from Iraq which were captured during the Iran-Iraq war.

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Basque separatists active

Fistfights break out before Carlos

GUERNICA, Feb. 4 (Agencies) — Fistfights between Basque separatists and police broke out in front of King Juan Carlos Wednesday in the Basque assembly house at the town of Guernica on the second day of the monarch's tour of this rebellious region of northern Spain. The King's speech was interrupted for about 10 minutes as police threw the separatists, members of the Basque Parliament, from the building.

Juan Carlos stood calmly waiting to speak and then told the remaining audience of about 200: "Once more I want to express my confidence in the Basque people."

Outside the 19th century assembly hall — the symbol of Basque nationalism — the King was greeted on his arrival with shouts of "Go home" and "Independence," but the major-

ity of the crowd cheered him and his wife, Greek-born Sofia. When the King entered the Casa De Juntas — the assembly hall — filled with members of the Basque autonomous government, the Basque parliament and local officials, everyone rose except the 30 separatist deputies.

As the King began to speak, they got up, clenched their fists and sang the Basque separatist hymn *Eusko Gudarria*.

The King smiled at first, and at one time urged them to sing louder. But when it became evident they did not intend to let him speak, Spanish plain clothes police began throwing the separatist parliament members out of their seats. One was yanked to the floor by his hair. Miguel Castells, a separatist defense lawyer, showed reporters a giant

bruise on his leg. Guernica has a special grudge against the Madrid government because of the 1937 bombing of the town by Nazi war planes helping Gen. Francisco Franco in the Spanish Civil War.

Reportedly the King dismissed advice against the Basque visit to stick to his repeated pledge he wants to be the King of all Spaniards. The King will return to Madrid Friday to start another round of consultations to try and solve the political crisis brought forth by the unexpected resignation of centrist Premier Adolfo Suarez last week.

Meanwhile, with the peseta falling, impatient in some military circles and the Catholic church reasserting itself, Spaniards still had no idea Wednesday what kind of government awaits them.

Protest to continue

Labor talks fail in Poland

WARSAW, Feb. 4 (Agencies) — Polish trade union leader Lech Walesa Wednesday called on regional branches of the Solidarity union federation to stage factory sit-ins if the authorities use force against strikers at Bielsko-Biala, following the breakdown of talks with a government delegation there, Solidarity headquarters in Gdansk said.

Walesa launched his appeal in the southern city of Bielsko-Biala, where he was involved in talks with the government team. The head of the government delegation, Czeslaw Kotela, deputy minister for regional administration, was called urgently back to Warsaw. The Bielsko-Biala branch of Solidarity refused to give any indication of the situation in the town, where workers have been on strike for nine days demanding the dismissal of some 30 local government and party officials.

The talks between the government and strike leaders broke down apparently because the Warsaw authorities refused to accept the resignations of local officials accused of corruption. The strike leaders said the government delegation which had been negotiating an end to a nine-day-old general strike in the important industrial province had returned to Warsaw without setting a date for further talks.

"We think it's because the prime minister has refused to approve the resignations of discredited people," a spokesman at the strike headquarters said. Governor Jozef Labudek and three of his deputies submitted their resignations Tuesday night to pave the way for a settlement of the one remaining major strike in Poland following several weeks of industrial turmoil. The government, which is accusing Solidarity of flouting its statutes and staging political strikes, responded by saying that it would only consider the resignations in an atmosphere of order and calm.

The strike leaders in Bielsko-Biala, in a communiqué stating that their protest action was continuing, said they did not accept government proposals on strike pay announced Tuesday night.

The government said strikers would only receive half-pay for strikes, and then only if the stoppages did not infringe union statutes and if workers were willing to make up for lost production. "Solidarity in Bielsko-Biala does not accept the charge that it is responsible for production losses," the local union branch said.

Government-union negotiations in another southern province, Jelenia Gora, appeared to have made more progress. Workers in the region lifted a strike when the talks began.

Ex-Romanian minister hurt by parcel bomb

PARIS, Feb. 4 (AFP) — Leading dissident Romanian author Paul Goma and former Romanian minister Nicolas Penescu, both living here in exile, have received parcel bombs in the mail it was revealed Wednesday. Goma said Penescu, aged about 70, was wounded when his parcel-bomb blew up, and is in hospital.

Goma himself was unhurt, though the parcel-bomb sent to him blew up, wounding a bomb expert trying to defuse it. Goma said that the booby-trapped parcels were posted from Spain and contained works by Nikita Khrushchev.

The bombs were sent by the Romanian secret police, according to Goma.

Lech Walesa proposed for Nobel Peace prize

OSLO, Feb. 4 (R) — Poland's Solidarity trade union movement leader Lech Walesa is among 69 candidates for the 1981 Nobel Peace Prize, Jakob Sverdrup, Director of the Nobel Institute, said Tuesday. Other candidates include former U.S. President Jimmy Carter and British Foreign Secretary Lord Carrington and Zimbabwe Prime Minister Robert Mugabe who both helped to bring independence to the African country.

Swedish candidates are disarmament activist Alva Myrdal, and diplomat Raoul Wallenberg, missing in the Soviet Union since the end of World War II.

Khomeini's health poor

BEIRUT, Feb. 4 (AP) — Ayatollah Khomeini publicly acknowledged his health problems for the first time Wednesday, telling a crowd of laborers in a unity speech he could not talk long because his health was not good enough. Tehran radio reported. Speaking to steel workers and others at Hussein's Jami mosque near Tehran, the 88-year-old Khomeini began: "The crowd is so huge, but I cannot speak in detail because my health is not good enough. Therefore, I will be brief and will say a few words in general."

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